Yahoo Group Archive: de1103

Yahoo Group summary: DE1103/KA1103 users group

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1. 299mhz fm mod

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-18 21:49:44 UTC
From: camteax
Topic: 1 Message: 1

Does anyone know anything about a mod that will result in the Kaito/Degen 1103 to be able to receive up 299mhz on the fm band. I'm not referring to 000khz to 29mhz am mod.

I think it "might be possible" since there was 300mhz software mod for some versions of the Kaito/Degen 1102. Also, on the other 1103 group, there's a photo of the 1103 tuned to 299.97mhz fm.

2. Re: [de1103] 299mhz fm mod

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-18 22:12:08 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 1 Message: 2

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----- Original Message -----
From: "camteax" <camteax@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 18, 2006 9:49 PM
Subject: [de1103] 299mhz fm mod

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> Kaito/Degen 1103 to be able to receive up 299mhz on the fm band. I'm
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> some versions of the Kaito/Degen 1102. Also, on the other 1103 group,
> there's a photo of the 1103 tuned to 299.97mhz fm.

It might have been displaying that frequency, but I can't see the oscillator
going that high. The mixer is a simple balanced FET design and that won't
work at 299 Mhz, either.

Leon

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to maintain up to date anti virus software on the device that you are
currently using to read this email. ]
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3. RE: [de1103] 299mhz fm mod

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-19 00:50:41 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1 Message: 3

Hey Leon thanks for this group. Let us hope Sir Phuxalott stays away..LOL
Josh

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Leon Heller
Sent: Wednesday, January 18, 2006 5:12 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] 299mhz fm mod

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From: "camteax" <camteax@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 18, 2006 9:49 PM
Subject: [de1103] 299mhz fm mod

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It might have been displaying that frequency, but I can't see the oscillator

going that high. The mixer is a simple balanced FET design and that won't
work at 299 Mhz, either.

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* Visit your group "de1103 <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103> "
on the web.

* To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
de1103-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com
<mailto:de1103-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com?subject=Unsubscribe>

* Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to the Yahoo!
<http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/> Terms of Service.

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4. DX-CAMP.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-19 11:16:45 UTC
From: Adiel Nunes
Topic: 1 Message: 4

Hi, photos of my DX-CAMP and friends,

http://br.pg.photos.yahoo.com/ph/bregalo/my_photos

73,

Adiel Nunes
From Brazil

Yahoo! doce lar. Fa?a do Yahoo! sua homepage.
http://br.yahoo.com/homepageset.html

5. Re: 299mhz fm mod

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-19 15:45:36 UTC
From: Fabrizio
Topic: 1 Message: 5

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>
> Does anyone know anything about a mod that will result in the
> Kaito/Degen 1103 to be able to receive up 299mhz on the fm band.

I wouldn't find it useful, because the DE1103 has only wide FM, not narrow and has not squelch either.
In Italy, it is possible to listen to Police (!) with the DE1103 on 78 Mhz, but without narrow FM and squelch, it is really awkward.
If you are interested in VHF, you'd better stick to a hand-held scanner.
Fab

6. 21951 mod

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-19 17:36:03 UTC
From: morimoore
Topic: 6 Message: 6

When i punch in 21951 and press the band - and + keys i get err. Am i doing somthing wrong? I thought there was a bug that would let me scan from 00 to 2999.

7. Re: 21951 mod

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-19 18:32:18 UTC
From: Jim Hackett
Topic: 6 Message: 7

Not sure what you're saying but if you punch in 21951 then press band-
you will get an error BECAUSE, band- is for entering FM frequencies
which 21951 is NOT a valid FM frequency. Entering 21951 then band+ is
an acceptable entry because the band+ key is for AM.

If you are talking about entering 21951 then trying to use the +/- key
AFTER it's entered, it will work fine. At least it does on mine...

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "morimoore" <morimoore@a...> wrote:
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8. Re: [de1103] Re: 21951 mod

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-19 19:03:32 UTC
From: morimoore@aol.com
Topic: 6 Message: 8

This is what i talking about.http://www.hamforum.com/viewtopic.php?t=2747&sid=b54a4aac8b97a7bd1c94a66b1e5

9. Re: 21951 mod

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-19 20:34:01 UTC
From: camteax
Topic: 6 Message: 9

Here's the text from the other 1103 user group files section regarding the 000khz to 29mhz easter egg. Also, on the other 1103 user group files section, there's some other useful files.

DE-1103 Easter Egg: Tuning from 000 to 099 kHz

thank you engineer #21951! phil :)

STORING 000 kHz IN MEMORY "99":

1. retract fully the antenna
2. switch DX/LO to "LO" [aka attenuator on]

Note: step #1 and #2 reduce stopping during scanning

3. turn on the radio
4. enter: 21951 [BAND+]

Note: the display shows no square around any meter band

5. press and hold [BAND-] until downward scanning begins
6. wait for the display to read lower than 100 kHz

Note: this scan process will take about 14.5 minutes

7. press [Band+] to stop while tuned between 0 and 99 kHz

Note: if you go past simply press and hold [Band+]

8. turn the tuning dial until 000 kHz is displayed
9. enter: "99" STORE STORE

Note: now memory 99 has 000 kHz for future access

10. remember to switch DX/LO back to "DX"

FUTURE USAGE

1. enter: "99" [M/F] then press [M/F] again
2. turn the tuning dial upward from 000 kHz

OTHER USAGES

Storing other values into memory while in this mode allows continuous scanning up or down from those values as well.

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10. Future Degen DE1108

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-19 23:12:02 UTC
From: camteax
Topic: 10 Message: 10

Details On The Future Degen DE1108 here:

http://www.radiointel.com/index.htm

11. Kiwa and other audio mods for the 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-20 17:30:54 UTC
From: gary_thorburn
Topic: 11 Message: 11

I have posted a text file to this group describing my experience performing the Kiwa audio mod for the 1103, and an additional mod that I did. The file is named [audioMods-1103.txt].

I'd like to hear from anyone else who has done the Kiwa mod (or has has Kiwa do it), or has otherwise made audio modifications to the 1103.

-- Gary

12. Re: 21951 mod

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-20 21:06:40 UTC
From: Brian
Topic: 6 Message: 12

Excellent. That worked for my new KA1103 where as the directions in the post I read at hamforum.com did not. So instead of "press "BAND+" Button and "BAND-" Button at same time for a second" You press Band+, then hold Band -. No I have to figure out what I can do with these extra frequencies? Anything?

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> >
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13. How to tune 152.2 FM Station?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-21 00:17:50 UTC
From: anilpatel_india
Topic: 13 Message: 13

Hello,
Is there any one have any idea how to tune FM 152.2 Station?
I tried to enter 1 5 2 2 -Band and it shows Err.
In australia one of the 24Hr radio station Brodcast programmes in
Indian Hindi Language on 152.2FM.
Thanks,
Anil

14. Re: How to tune 152.2 FM Station?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-21 01:38:11 UTC
From: Theo
Topic: 13 Message: 14

Well, two immediate questions come to mind, with a third supplementing:

1. Are you sure of the frequency? Aussie regulators adhere to international FM assignment/usage... i.e the FM band is 88-108 MHz. Are you sure it's 152.2... mebbe it's 102.2 MHz?

2. Where is your listening location? If as your e-mail address suggests, you might be in India, there ain't a snowball's chance in hell of hearing an Australian FM tx.

3. If you do live in Oz, mebbe that station is in another city.

TD

P.S. Why do I think I've been we're being "had" on this problem?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "anilpatel_india" <anilpatel_india@y...> wrote:
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> In australia one of the 24Hr radio station Brodcast programmes in
> Indian Hindi Language on 152.2FM.
> Thanks,
> Anil
>

15. Re: [de1103] DX-CAMP.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-21 01:48:04 UTC
From: k6yaz@aol.com
Topic: 1 Message: 15

Please tell the group about the camp.

Stuart
Los Angeles, California

16. Re: 21951 mod

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-21 05:01:44 UTC
From: wgnam720
Topic: 6 Message: 16

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Brian" <der_panzerhead@d...> wrote:
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> Excellent. That worked for my new KA1103 where as the directions in
> the post I read at hamforum.com did not. So instead of "press "BAND+"
> Button and "BAND-" Button at same time for a second" You press Band+,
> then hold Band -. No I have to figure out what I can do with these
> extra frequencies? Anything?
>
Hi Brian:

Depending on where you live, you may get the signal of WWVB, the US time signal station on 60KHz, or the russian one on 66KHz. I also know that the UK has one, but I'm not sure of the frequency. Please note that these stations transmit no audio. They just vary the power output. The receivers that use these signals use the difference in signal strength to calibrate their timepieces.

17. 8th Russian Open DX Contest

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-21 09:07:17 UTC
From: Dmitry Mezin
Topic: 17 Message: 17

Hi all fans of DE1103,

All DXers of the world are invited to participate in the 8th Russian Open DX Contest, managed this year by me, Dmitry Mezin. Contest dates are 3-13 March 2006.

You may find the complete rules at
http://dxsignal.info/rodxc2006/rodxc06en.pdf.

Short description follows:

Part 1. Listening to ex-USSR states, as well as to limited number of stations from aroung the world
Part 2. Listening to Russian broadcasting outlets: both original stations and foreign relays via Russia
Part 3. Quiz of 20 radio-related questions.

All questions and comments are welcome to dxc2006@....

To get an idea of the former contests, you may browse their official pages,
http://dxsignal.info/rdxc2004/rdxc2004en.htm
http://dxsignal.info/rdxc2005/rdxc2005en.htm

And if someone can donate a good prize for the contest (we prefer DX books and CDs, no matter how cheap / old are they), please contact me at dxc2006@....

73, and good luck during the Contest,
Dmitry Mezin
Kazan, Russia

18. Re: [de1103] Future Degen DE1108

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-21 11:24:13 UTC
From: Christoph Lorenz
Topic: 10 Message: 18

Am Donnerstag, den 19.01.2006, 23:12 +0000 schrieb camteax:
> Details On The Future Degen DE1108 here:
>
> http://www.radiointel.com/index.htm

Again without RDS for FM?

That would be a real pity!

19. DE1104

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-21 14:40:26 UTC
From: tquchina
Topic: 19 Message: 19

From DEGEN webpage!

http://www.degen.com.cn/chanpintu/1104.jpg

21. Re: 21951 mod

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-22 00:22:58 UTC
From: Brian
Topic: 6 Message: 21

I'm now listening to ESPN radio at around 69 khz. What could that be?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "wgnam720" <susys57@s...> wrote:
>
> Hi Brian:
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> time signal station on 60KHz, or the russian one on 66KHz. I also
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> note that these stations transmit no audio. They just vary the power
> output. The receivers that use these signals use the difference in
> signal strength to calibrate their timepieces.
>

22. Re: How to tune 152.2 FM Station?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-22 01:02:39 UTC
From: anilpatel_india
Topic: 13 Message: 22

Hi Theo,
Thanks for the reply.
I am sure the frequency is correct.
Here is the web link of that list.
http://www.sikh.com.au/indiatoday/qradio.asp
In the above list the third # station that I am
talking about.
I live in 8/22 Homebush Road,Strathfield, Sydney, NSW
2135.
Please help me if it is possible to use 1103 for this
station.
Thank you very much,
Anil Patel

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Theo" <theod438@y...> wrote:
>
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> > Anil
> >
>

23. Re: [de1103] Re: How to tune 152.2 FM Station?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-22 02:13:42 UTC
From: JOHN KELSALL
Topic: 13 Message: 23
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

[Attachment content not displayed]

24. Kiwa Mods?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-22 03:22:57 UTC
From: flathatter_fa18
Topic: 24 Message: 24

I posted this at the "other" DE1103 newsgroupconcerning the new Kiwa mods...and I'm reposting it here hoping that I can get additional helpful input:

Being a newbie to SWL I was unware that static discharge could damage components in the KA1103. Over the many months that I've owned the radio, I'm sure I must at one time have touched the whip after walking across a carpet with rubber-soled shoes...this seems like a pretty common occurence.

This maybe a simple question for the more experienced SWLs, but since I'm still learning the ropes, how would one know if the front end FET was damaged by a static discharge?

Thanks, in advance for any comments.

25. Re: 21951 mod

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-22 03:28:21 UTC
From: wgnam720
Topic: 6 Message: 25

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Brian" <der_panzerhead@d...> wrote:
>
> I'm now listening to ESPN radio at around 69 khz. What could that be?
>
>
By your mention of ESPN Radio, I assume you are in the US or Canada.
The signal you're hearing on 69KHz (or probably 70KHz) is most likely
an image (station that appears on a frequency it's not supposed to be
heard on) of a nearby AM station on 970KHz. The DE-1103 is a bit
suceptable to images of AM stations (in the 520-1710KHz range) that
will appear in the range below 520KHz.

26. Re: How to tune 152.2 FM Station?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-22 04:09:49 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 13 Message: 26

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "anilpatel_india"
<anilpatel_india@y...> wrote:
>
> Hi Theo,
> Thanks for the reply.
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> Here is the web link of that list.
> http://www.sikh.com.au/indiatoday/qradio.asp
> In the above list the third # station that I am
> talking about.
> Anil Patel

That's interesting. There are apparently a few low-power broadcasting stations allowed in the 151-152mHz public service/land-mobile band in Australia. See Glenn Hauser's WOR 2-182 (November 21, 2002): http://www.worldofradio.com/dxld2182.txt

Notice the India Day Web site specifies "special receiver required" for that channel.

I see a Greek-language station on that frequency in Adelaide as well.

Radio Shack used to sell a VHF Hi-Band tunable pocket receiver in the U.S. for around $20. It may be easier to find something like that than modify the 1103 to tune 40mHz higher than its design.

27. Re: [de1103] Re: How to tune 152.2 FM Station?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-22 06:07:51 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 13 Message: 27

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----- Original Message -----
From: "anilpatel_india" <anilpatel_india@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 22, 2006 1:02 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: How to tune 152.2 FM Station?

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That is probably a digital transmission, something like the DAB system used
in the UK. It uses much higher frequencies than normal FM and requires a
special digital receiver.

Leon
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28. Re: How to tune 152.2 FM Station?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-22 08:29:46 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 13 Message: 28

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> system used in the UK. It uses much higher frequencies than normal
> FM and requires a special digital receiver.

They specify the same standard for LPON/HPON (low- and high-power open narrowcasting; 1 and 10w, respectively) as for the mobile services in that band, or "analogue voice angle modulated," with a bandwidth of <16mHz. I am not confident I understand their terminology correctly, but take that to mean NBFM. They are referred to as "FM" on http://www.acma.gov.au/acmainterwr/aba/broadcastserv/broadcasters/documents/on_addl_info.pdf
(although that already-out-of-date list shows only one 152mHz station).

However, info is scanty, and the desktop transmitter at the bottom of http://www.maninational.com/products/ looks like a wireless hub, and has no knobs.

Some guy is already chasing "DX" in that band, right in our friend's home of Sydney: http://www.dtvforum.info/index.php?showtopic=27568 He only says he is using a "25 preset NAS radio" so it's hard to tell just what the mode is.

I find this all a bit weird, somewhere between our LPFM and the (unauthorized but tolerated) use of 27mHz for church services in Ireland. And the Aussies get horse racing results on theirs, too.

It looks like they're putting DAB above that band, in VHF-III (174-240) and the L-band (1452-1492mhz); they're thinking of putting DRM in VHF Band I (TV 0, 1 and 2).
http://www.acma.gov.au/ACMAINTER.65690:STANDARD::pc=PC_100296

Of course by now I'm sure we have baffled 90 percent of the list.

Considering the recent nonsense, I was reluctant to make a joke post, but think I can get away with slipping one in as a P.S. here:

Why is ESPN on 69kHz?

It's their submarine broadcast.

(So-ree!)

29. Re: [de1103] Kiwa Mods?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-22 14:45:59 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 24 Message: 29

Im Hotep,

Most likely when you tried to use the radio off the whip... you
wouldn't pick up anything but noise.
That's a good indicator that the front end has been blown away by
tens of thousands of volts of static electricity.

CB

>
>----------

I am a Man...and nothing human is alien to me.

The Earth is but one large country, and humankind it's citizens.

This is an absolute necessity for Ebay buyers and sellers!

http://www.prepaidlegal.com/hub/cgb

http://www:telebay.com/7777

30. Re: 21951 mod

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-22 21:39:13 UTC
From: Theo
Topic: 6 Message: 30

And not only AM/BCB stns... I get a couple of low 49m stns 900 kHz lower in the 60m band, but with very muddy audio so they're easily recognised.

The Degen isn't as bad as the Sony 7600GR for that: R. Thailand's relay via Delano on 5890 ~0200 UTC puts in a beautiful signal on 4980 on my GR.

TD

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> will appear in the range below 520KHz.
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31. Re: How to tune 152.2 FM Station?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-22 21:51:04 UTC
From: Theo
Topic: 13 Message: 31

Continuing off topic, but that frequency would be in the middle of
Aussie's TV spectrum:

http://www.tesc.com.au/Channels.htm

If a special receiver's required, it's possibly using the sub-carrier
of a TV tx.

Here in Canada, sub-c's of FM'ers are quite commonly used for
subscription services aimed at specialty language groups.

TD

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jeffkopp" <jeffkopp@y...> wrote:
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> > system used in the UK. It uses much higher frequencies than normal
> > FM and requires a special digital receiver.
>
> They specify the same standard for LPON/HPON (low- and high-power
> open narrowcasting; 1 and 10w, respectively) as for the mobile
> services in that band, or "analogue voice angle modulated," with a
> bandwidth of <16mHz. I am not confident I understand their terminology
> correctly, but take that to mean NBFM. They are referred to as "FM" on
>
http://www.acma.gov.au/acmainterwr/aba/broadcastserv/broadcasters/documents/on_addl_info.p
df
> (although that already-out-of-date list shows only one 152mHz station).
>
> However, info is scanty, and the desktop transmitter at the bottom of
> http://www.maninational.com/products/ looks like a wireless hub, and
> has no knobs.
>
> Some guy is already chasing "DX" in that band, right in our friend's
> home of Sydney: http://www.dtvforum.info/index.php?showtopic=27568 He
> only says he is using a "25 preset NAS radio" so it's hard to tell
> just what the mode is.
>
> I find this all a bit weird, somewhere between our LPFM and the
> (unauthorized but tolerated) use of 27mHz for church services in
> Ireland. And the Aussies get horse racing results on theirs, too.
>
> It looks like they're putting DAB above that band, in VHF-III
> (174-240) and the L-band (1452-1492mhz); they're thinking of putting
> DRM in VHF Band I (TV 0, 1 and 2).

> http://www.acma.gov.au/ACMAINTER.65690:STANDARD::pc=PC_100296
>
> Of course by now I'm sure we have baffled 90 percent of the list.
>
> Considering the recent nonsense, I was reluctant to make a joke post,
> but think I can get away with slipping one in as a P.S. here:
>
> Why is ESPN on 69kHz?
>
> It's their submarine broadcast.
>
> (So-ree!)
>

32. Degen 1103 versus Grundig YB 400 PE

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-22 20:55:22 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 24 Message: 32

>>
>>----------
>>Well,

my De-1103 finally arrived yesterday, but apparently I was asleep when the mailperson came by. they left me a not telling me to pick it up at the post office on the 23rd.

My question is: Will I be able to hear a difference between the Degen 1103 and my Grundig YB 400 PE off their respective whips?

It shipped with a 220 AC adapter. What will I need to get it to work off of a 110 AC outlet?

Fare l'amore; non la guerra! Shrub

>I am a Man...and nothing human is alien to me.
>
>The Earth is but one large country, and humankind it's citizens.
>
>
>
>This is an absolute necessity for Ebay buyers and sellers!
>
>http://www.prepaidlegal.com/hub/cgb
>
>http://www:telebay.com/7777

33. Re: [de1103] Degen 1103 versus Grundig YB 400 PE

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-23 01:08:25 UTC
From: k6yaz@aol.com
Topic: 24 Message: 33

I would be surprised if you can hear a medium or shortwave signal on one radio and not the other. The FM in the 1103 is exceptional.

You will need a 110 volt adapter that will supply the radio's needs. Check Radio Shack for a compatible supply; don't use one of the very small switching power supplies, they generate too much radio noise.

Stay awake! :)

Stuart
Los Angeles

34. Re: How to tune 152.2 FM Station?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-23 03:47:12 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 13 Message: 34

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Theo" <theod438@y...> wrote:
>
> Continuing off topic, but that frequency would be in the middle of
> Aussie's TV spectrum:
>
> http://www.tesc.com.au/Channels.htm
>
> If a special receiver's required, it's possibly using the
> sub-carrier of a TV tx.
>
> Here in Canada, sub-c's of FM'ers are quite commonly used for
> subscription services aimed at specialty language groups.
>
> TD

105-164mHz are allocated as cable channels, "Superband" S1-S10. http://www.pbn.com.au/products/technical/rf2.php They roughly correlate to our cable mid-band (98-99, 14-22).

I notice allocations S1-S2 aren't listed on the dealer chart; they're probably unused to avoid possible leakage into the aero band.

My money's still on NBFM for "VHF NAS Narrow."

That is interesting, though, about the use of SCA in Canada for minority broadcasting. Here it was all background music and occasionally Radio Reading Service (for the blind) until dereg when the SCAs began getting leased for private data transmission. RRS in my town got shifted to TV SAP, which provides a clearer signal but is less convenient for the blind.

J.

35. Re: How to tune 152.2 FM Station?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-23 18:01:19 UTC
From: wgnam720
Topic: 13 Message: 35

> That is interesting, though, about the use of SCA in Canada for
> minority broadcasting. Here it was all background music and
> occasionally Radio Reading Service (for the blind) until dereg when
> the SCAs began getting leased for private data transmission. RRS in my
> town got shifted to TV SAP, which provides a clearer signal but is
> less convenient for the blind.
>
> J.
>
I worked at a radio reading service in Wisconsin till about 8 years
ago. They tried to move our service to cable FM, but our listeners
stepped up. The service is still on the SCA, but also on cable FM and
now on the abdio of a community billboard cable channel.

36. Enjoying my new Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-23 23:05:59 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 36 Message: 36
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Im Hotep,

I did pick up my Degen 1103 today. So far I'm very pleased with it. It is much nicer looking in person than in the pictures, and very sturdily built.

I especially like the way it remembers past frequencies that I visited. Just by pushing a button it will go back over the last four or five frequencies.

Changing the volume is a little odd, and there are a few other quirky things about it, but I'm already used to all of that. It is no harder to use than any other SW radio.

The Kaito31 active antenna works great when pulled into the external antenna slot instead of being clipped to the whip as it was on my YB 400 PE.

I can really tell when I'm zeroed in on a frequency now. The gain really increases and you can see and hear the difference. So I would say this active antenna does a fine job when it is connected and setup up properly.

I'm going to have to go out and get a battery charger though. The adapter they sent is for 220 and I don't want to pay $35 to $40.00 to get one that will allow the Degen to work on 110/60 Hertz.

I haven't gotten around to figuring out how to store frequencies, but with 256 of them I doubt I will run short as I did with my YB 400 PE.

If I continue to enjoy this little radio as much as I have today, I may order a couple more of them just in case. you never know we may wake up one morning and discover that all electrical power is gone for years. So as long as I have a huge supply of batteries, or a good solar recharger I will be OK/

For $44.80 this Degen 1103 is definitely a must by.

And so it glows.

Click here to join the_big_picture
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/the_big_picture/join>
Click to join the_big_picture

http://www.telebay.com/7777

37. Re: Kiwa Mods?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-25 01:12:50 UTC
From: karkfumm
Topic: 24 Message: 37

Flathatter,

I got antenna happy with my Degen (hot-swapping between the whip and external wire to compare the sensitivity of each) and blew out my FET the first day I owned my 1103, Dec 25! There was low humidity that day...

The result was nearly dead air on SW using the whip - the only sound was the slight "pinging" noise when I spun the tuning knob. _Very_ faint reception using the wire. FM and MW still worked perfectly.

After buying a Kaito as a replacement, I found a post by "VE6TVT" on eham.net describing the same problem, and how he fixed it. With nothing to lose, I decided to try it.

Yesterday, I recieved my FETs from an eBay seller, and today my Degen is back in service! So far, I can discern no difference in sensitivity between the Kaito and my repaired Degen.

I took snapshots as I went along in the hope that someone will find them useful. If there's any interest,I can post them in a day or two with more details ...

For now though, it's off to play with my "new" radio.

VE6TVT's eHam.com post can be found here:
http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/5071?page=2&ehamsid=99e6dd03235e966466c8dc650c0b9fa6#40622
(If there's URL trouble, go the eham.net main page, select Reviews Categories | Receivers: General Coverage | Kaito KA1103. His comment is in the bottom third of the second page.)

Hope this helps!

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "flathatter_fa18" <flathatter_fa18@y...> wrote:
>
> .....Over the many months that I've owned the radio, I'm sure I must at one
> time have touched the whip after walking across a carpet with rubber-soled
> shoes...this seems like a pretty common occurence.
>
> ....how would one know if the front end FET was damaged by a static
> discharge?
>
> Thanks, in advance for any comments.
>

38. PLEASE POST PICS

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-25 18:24:22 UTC
From: bodonsky54
Topic: 24 Message: 38

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "karkfumm" <dmarthur@c...> wrote:
>Can you post a pic of the location of the FET...thanks
> Flathatter,
>
> I got antenna happy with my Degen (hot-swapping between the whip and
> external wire to compare the sensitivity of each) and blew out my
FET
> the first day I owned my 1103, Dec 25! There was low humidity that
day...
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> was the slight "pinging" noise when I spun the tuning knob. _Very_
> faint reception using the wire. FM and MW still worked perfectly.
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> them useful. If there's any interest,I can post them in a day or
two
> with more details ...
>
> For now though, it's off to play with my "new" radio.
>
> VE6TVT's eHam.com post can be found here:
> http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/5071?
page=2&ehamsid=99e6dd03235e966466c8dc650c0b9fa6#40622
> (If there's URL trouble, go the eham.net main page, select Reviews
> Categories | Receivers: General Coverage | Kaito KA1103. His
comment
> is in the bottom third of the second page.)
>
> Hope this helps!
>
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "flathatter_fa18"
> <flathatter_fa18@y...> wrote:
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> > .....Over the many months that I've owned the radio, I'm sure I

must
> at one
> > time have touched the whip after walking across a carpet with
> rubber-soled
> > shoes...this seems like a pretty common occurence.
> >
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> > discharge?
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> > Thanks, in advance for any comments.
> >
>

39. Re: Kiwa Mods?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-26 06:32:40 UTC
From: flathatter_fa18
Topic: 24 Message: 39

> I got antenna happy with my Degen (hot-swapping between the whip and
> external wire to compare the sensitivity of each) and blew out my FET
> the first day I owned my 1103, Dec 25! There was low humidity that day...
>

Very good, thank you for the post, as it was very informative. I guess I haven't blown my FETs yet since my reception off the whip still works.

With a radio as senstive to damage as the KA1103, I will be more attentive to such matters in the future!

40. Re: PLEASE POST PICS

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-26 17:57:48 UTC
From: karkfumm
Topic: 24 Message: 40

I'll upload the FET replacement pics tomorrow (Friday) evening. No access to my home PC until then....

As you open the case, it's located on the underside of the main board (the back part of the case, not the front part with the LCD), which must be unscrewed and flipped over to get to the FET. Labeled Q1, on the upper right quadrant of the flipped-over board. It's a black rectangular thing about the size of a sesame seed.

This will make more sense tomorrow with the accompanying pics.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "bodonsky54" <bodonsky54@y...> wrote:

> >Can you post a pic of the location of the FET...thanks

41. Longwire Antenna experiment results

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-27 07:56:13 UTC
From: obx2001
Topic: 41 Message: 41

Hello fellow users

I am posting the results of my
longwire antenna experiments.

First I made 9:1 unun for matching
the longwire to the 75ohm coax.

The coax is two runs with a splitter
used as a secondary ground as well as
a ground of the unun.

Using two lenghts of coax hasn't resulted
in any noticable db loss in any signals.
Approximate lenght of two coax lengths is
around 80 ft.

Fist tested longwire at around 70ft
in a inverted l configuration.

The de1103 is very sensative and experienced
minor overload across the bands. Also
picking spurios am transmissions from
many local and DX am power stations.

Totally unacceptable.

Therefore shortening longwire with improvements
around 40ft length longwire.

Decided to go vertical longwire at 50ft
to tip of longwire and had to shorten
longwire to approximately 18 ft.

DX am power stations at this elevation
above ground acceptable with no spurios
emission across the bands.

Local AM power stations spurios emissions
still there but totally acceptable mixing
in with low level ground noise.

I am posting usable length of longwire at
approx. 18ft.

Excellant results across all bands including
160 meters up to 11 meters.

This is one amazing little radio that once
the antenna is dialed in can receive high
quality signals across all bands on 18ft of
vertical copper wire. Have audio outputted
to computer speakers with amazing sound.

Been running configuration for 1 week now
with no apparent overload of any internal
circuits or damage to the FET's.

Have now wrapped whip antenna with
plastic wrap to prevent any static discharge
that may harm FET's.

Hope this helps anyone thinking to make their own
outside antenna. The verticval longwire
is excellant for omni-directional
receive....

obx

42. Regarding external exp's

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-27 08:00:31 UTC
From: obx2001
Topic: 42 Message: 42

Antenna is 50ft above ground with
the longwire length at 18ft.

obx

43. Off Topic - Electro Brand 859

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-27 11:34:01 UTC
From: lucysbranch
Topic: 43 Message: 43

I bought an Electro Brand 859 AM/FM/SW-7 radio at HHGregg for around $8.00 today. This is the same radio as the Jwin JX-M14. This is one impressive tiny receiver. Very sensitive. It come with a little carrying pouch and earbuds. It has a little tilt stand on the back like the DE 1103, and is really a bargain. I'm really enjoying it.

73 de Ron

44. Re: [de1103] Off Topic - Electro Brand 859

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-27 11:47:58 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 43 Message: 44

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----- Original Message -----
From: "lucysbranch" <lucysbranch@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, January 27, 2006 11:34 AM
Subject: [de1103] Off Topic - Electro Brand 859

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> carrying pouch and earbuds. It has a little tilt stand on the back
> like the DE 1103, and is really a bargain. I'm really enjoying it.

It sounds like the radio sold by Superdrug in the UK, for under ?3. These
have resulted in lots of experimentation by people on the G-QRP list.

Leon
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45. Re: Off Topic - Electro Brand 859

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-27 23:28:30 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 43 Message: 45

would appreciate more info about our cousin's experimentations/ideas -
-- so we can copy here.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@b...> wrote:
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "lucysbranch" <lucysbranch@y...>
> To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Friday, January 27, 2006 11:34 AM
> Subject: [de1103] Off Topic - Electro Brand 859
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> have resulted in lots of experimentation by people on the G-QRP
list.
>
> Leon
>

46. Re: [de1103] Re: Off Topic - Electro Brand 859

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-28 00:55:06 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 43 Message: 46

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----- Original Message -----
From: "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, January 27, 2006 11:28 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Off Topic - Electro Brand 859

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http://groups.yahoo.com/group/GQRP

Leon
--
Leon Heller, G1HSM
leon.heller@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller
---
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to maintain up to date anti virus software on the device that you are
currently using to read this email. ]
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47. Re: [de1103] Re: Off Topic - Electro Brand 859

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-28 01:07:51 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 43 Message: 47

Leon Heller, G1HSM
leon.heller@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller
----- Original Message -----
From: "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 28, 2006 12:55 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Off Topic - Electro Brand 859

> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...>
> To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Friday, January 27, 2006 11:28 PM
> Subject: [de1103] Re: Off Topic - Electro Brand 859
>
>
> would appreciate more info about our cousin's experimentations/ideas -
> -- so we can copy here.

http://www.hanssummers.com/radio/superdrg/index.htm

Leon

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to maintain up to date anti virus software on the device that you are
currently using to read this email.]

48. Preamp FET Replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-28 01:11:05 UTC
From: karkfumm
Topic: 48 Message: 48

Hello all,

A new folder has been added to the Files section - inside are pictures and a .txt file detailing the preamp FET replacement for the 1103.

Hopefully no-one will need to read it except as a curiosity.

Best of luck ..... and stay grounded!

49. Re: Off Topic - Electro Brand 859

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-28 02:22:45 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 43 Message: 49

I joined them right away. Thanks again.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@b...> wrote:
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>
> Leon Heller, G1HSM
> leon.heller@b...
> http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller
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> To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
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> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: "knyuen88" <knyuen88@y...>
> > To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> > Sent: Friday, January 27, 2006 11:28 PM
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> http://www.hanssummers.com/radio/superdrg/index.htm
>
> Leon
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50. Electrical noise and apartment living

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-29 06:51:38 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 50 Message: 50

Hi. I asserted many months ago (which Jay doubted, and is probably the only one who'll remember) that my Tecusn R9702, while not as selective as the 1103, was about as sensitive. (It is a lively and fun dual-conversion pocket-size.)

Well, my assumption was based on side-by-side comparison indoors, and I never realized just how very noisy it is in here, even with the computer, LAN and TV all shut off.

Last night a squall treated us to a four-hour blackout, only in my immediate neighborhood (not the whole city), and I thought to fire up the 1103 and see just how much more I could hear while the power was out. (I have hidden about 50' of wire outside, stapled under the eaves, hoping to avoid RFI I presumed was coming from inside; it helps a tiny bit.)

Whoa, dial full from 160 meters to 13mHz at 4am. (Of course from my location all I can hear is Asia to the East Coast and South America; I presume the Radio Netherlands and Deutsche Welle I pick up come from Sackville or Delano; I know the BBC I hear here is.) First time I heard 160 meter hams in this location.

I was listening to CBC/RCI on 13mHz (a rare catch in here) when the power came back on, and it immediately dropped into the noise (audible but unintellgible), and I was back to my usual subset of QSA3+ stations, only about 15% of what I was able to hear during the dark. And this was while the LAN and DSL modem were still down, as I had disconnected them during the outage in preparation for a possible surge on restoration.

Anyway, the side-by-side during the outage showed the 9702 was about 6-9db less sensitive, and it was only the usual blanket of RFI that had made them seem eqivalent to me.

I am of course kind of stuck here, though it occurs to me my outdoor antenna might work better if I slipped it between the siding and foundation to get it away from the phone wiring and TV cable up under the eaves. Sure miss having a house and yard (or even the previous apt., which had attic access).

There is a 40-year-old pole pig directly behind our unit, feeding the underground service entrance for our building. And a stret light.

51. Re: Preamp FET Replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-29 13:08:49 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 48 Message: 51

Excellent post.

It's unfortunate the radio was not better engineered to withstand static shocks in the first place. I can understand that this may not be a big concern for the Asian market, but for radio products destined for North America where static shocks are almost unavoidable during the winter heating season, some kind of protective circuitry would be a great help.

Just small things like protection against static shock or accidental reversal of polartiy for DC input, would be a great help. I have read numerous posts where someone plugged a universal adapter in with the wrong polarity just briefly and their S350 quit working for good. This is an easy error to make for older folks whose eyesight isn't as sharp as it used to be.

Attention to extra little details like this would make a good radio even better! The cost to implement these improvements would be minimal, not to mention the positive exposure Degen/Tescun would get when you guys find these added features and write about them. Some of you seem to need to take apart the radio before you even listen to it -- LOL

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52. Re: Preamp FET Replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-29 22:11:27 UTC
From: leon_heller
Topic: 48 Message: 52

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nash" <nash2042004@y...> wrote:
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> Excellent post.
>
> It's unfortunate the radio was not better engineered to withstand
> static shocks in the first place. I can understand that this may not
> be a big concern for the Asian market, but for radio products destined
> for North America where static shocks are almost unavoidable during
> the winter heating season, some kind of protective circuitry would be
> a great help.
>

My old Sony 2001D doesn't have any static protection, either. Later models did have it fitted (a couple of diodes). I keep meaning to modify mine.

Leon

53. Re: [de1103] Re: Preamp FET Replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-30 04:36:26 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 48 Message: 53
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

What can we buy to place near our computers, or radios to ground
ourselves before we touch them?

At 04:11 PM 01/29/2006, you wrote:

>--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nash" <nash2042004@y...> wrote:
> >
> > Excellent post.
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> > be a big concern for the Asian market, but for radio products destined
> > for North America where static shocks are almost unavoidable during
> > the winter heating season, some kind of protective circuitry would be
> > a great help.

54. Re: Preamp FET Replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-30 14:47:01 UTC
From: karkfumm
Topic: 48 Message: 54

I think the fact that the radio was on while I was fiddling with the antennas had a lot to do with it.

Since my static mishap, I've trained myself to turn the radio off before plugging/unplugging any external antennas or speakers, or adjusting the whip after walking around the room.

This might be overkill, but it makes me feel better.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Clyde Benson <clydebenson@c...> wrote:
>
> What can we buy to place near our computers, or radios to ground
> ourselves before we touch them?
>

55. Re: Preamp FET Replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-30 21:45:24 UTC
From: obx2001
Topic: 48 Message: 55

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "karkfumm" <dmarthur@c...> wrote:
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Great info though I don't need it.

One suggestion for those who bought
100 fets for $8 on ebay might be
to offer some for sale. It just seems
a shame that 99 of them would gather
dust when a person only needs one.

56. Re: Preamp FET Replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-30 22:51:34 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 48 Message: 56

Electrostatic discharge precaustions for the production line workers
are still a major concern during components assembling during
manufacturing. As a logical thinking believe even if you turn off
the radio, the FETs can still be "killed" by the electrostatic
discharges. True?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "karkfumm" <dmarthur@c...> wrote:
>
> I think the fact that the radio was on while I was fiddling with the
> antennas had a lot to do with it.
>
> Since my static mishap, I've trained myself to turn the radio off
> before plugging/unplugging any external antennas or speakers, or
> adjusting the whip after walking around the room.
>
> This might be overkill, but it makes me feel better.
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>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Clyde Benson <clydebenson@c...>
wrote:
> >
> > What can we buy to place near our computers, or radios to ground
> > ourselves before we touch them?
> >
>

57. Storing Frequencies

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-31 06:08:23 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 48 Message: 57
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Well,

After playing around with the radio for over a week, I finally got the courage to tackle storing frequencies. After I stored two, I became very confused.
What is the best way to utilize 256 frequencies.

What if I want to store the six strongest frequencies I get at each hour of the day Zulu time?

How would I do that in a way that makes sense?

58. Re: [de1103] preamp FET Replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-01-31 21:50:19 UTC
From: Don Boyd
Topic: 58 Message: 58

de1103@yahoogroups.com wrote:
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> Message: 2
> Date: Mon, 30 Jan 2006 22:51:34 -0000
> From: "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...>
> Subject: Re: Preamp FET Replacement
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very true...I worked as an electronics tech about twenty years ago and
static sensitive devices are just as vulnerable when not powered.

Don

59. Re: Storing Frequencies

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-01 00:10:48 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 48 Message: 59

Believe the following trick may work.(unfortunately I never try this !) For example: stations at zulu 0100 can be stored as 11, 12, 13 ... in the memory. and stations at zulu 2300 should be 231, 232 .... etc. Please let us know if such trick will work.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Clyde Benson <clydebenson@c...> wrote:
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> What if I want to store the six strongest frequencies I get at each
> hour of the day Zulu time?
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> How would I do that in a way that makes sense?
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> No virus found in this outgoing message.
> Checked by AVG Anti-Virus.
> Version: 0.0.375 / Virus Database: 267.14.23/243 - Release Date:
01/27/2006
>

60. Re: [de1103] Storing Frequencies

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-01 00:53:52 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 48 Message: 60
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Im Hotep,

I sent this last post early this morning when I was very sleepy.
Perhaps I didn't make myself clear.

What I would like to do with my Degen 1103 is set up the storage so
that all of the channels I pick up clearly each hour are stored in
such a manner that the frequencies for "2100 to 220" are easy to find
and the clear frequencies for 1800 to 1900 are stored together so
they can be quickly accessed.

I have heard someplace that that can be done, but the Degen
instruction manual wasn't clear at all on how to go about doing that.

If anyone here has a good solution to this, please share it. I'm sure
there are others wondering about this same thing. :-)

Peace.

At 12:08 AM 01/31/2006, you wrote:

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>became very confused.
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> * Visit your group
> "<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103>de1103" on the web.
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> * To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
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61. Re: Longwire Antenna experiment results

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-01 09:50:21 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 41 Message: 61

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "obx2001" <obx2001@y...> wrote:
> First I made 9:1 unun for matching the longwire to the 75ohm coax.
...
> Hope this helps anyone thinking to make their own outside antenna.

Thanks for mentioning the balun again. Those who were following the old list may recall my poor results with 40' of wire stapled under the eaves (I am stuck in an apartment) versus the high level of electrical noise here. I had connected the wire where it came in through the window to shielded audio cable, the other side to house ground (which made me a bit nervous; the place is 40 years old, so I don't trust its ground completely).

Last week I felt a bit more motivated, and got out my junk-box of TV stuff to retrieve a balun and a length of TV coax. I connected one side of the balun to my wire and the other side to what I think is a quieter (and perhaps safer) ground, the cable TV sheath (they drive their own ground stakes so it's separate from power distribution).

This did give me some improvement, though I have no clue what the impedance of my longwire is.

While in my junk box I ran across an old Radio Shack 10db inline amp (one of those barrel things with a separate power supply, the amp designed to go up by the antenna) and to my surprise found it marked as "5-900mHz." I wondered if they had meant 50-900m but their docs confirm it's rated 8db gain at 5. http://support.radioshack.com/support_video/65893.htm And it does give noticeable gain even down on 60m.

Of course amplifying a poor/noisy antenna just yields amplified noise, but my next step is to move the balun and amplifier as close to the entrance point as I can, to hopefully overcome some of the indoor RFI, though during a recent power outage I discovered as much of it comes from the vicinity outside as from in here.

Looking for schematics of baluns (curious about connecting a couple TV baluns together to change the impedance facing the antenna), I ran across this "basics" tutorial Web site by a retired ham in Australia, which is just the right speed for someone like me who doesn't really know much electrical theory. Nicely done: http://www.electronics-tutorials.com/site-tree.htm

Regards,

Jeff

62. Re: Longwire Antenna experiment results

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-01 22:48:31 UTC
From: obx2001
Topic: 41 Message: 62

I will post a file in documents regarding
the 9:1 balun. It is made with type 43
ferrite and about 1 1/4'' wide and looks
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I had difficulty locating a ferrite
core for a reasonable price. I did not
use a tv balun which is 300 ohm to 75 ohm.

I had poor results with much overload using
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63. Re: Longwire Antenna experiment results

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-01 23:00:04 UTC
From: obx2001
Topic: 41 Message: 63

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will post in old forums...

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64. Re: Storing Frequencies

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-01 23:22:35 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 48 Message: 64

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Clyde Benson <clydebenson@...> wrote:
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65. Re: Longwire Antenna experiment results

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-01 23:25:39 UTC
From: obx2001
Topic: 41 Message: 65

Files uploaded here. Had to make 2 parts
for it to load.

TV balun is 4:1 FYI...

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66. Re: [de1103] Re: Storing Frequencies

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-02 04:55:02 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 48 Message: 66
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Ok. Merci beaucoup monsieur Knyuen,

I will look at the manual from the files section again, or maybe for
the first time since I received one with the radio.

I have pretty much decided that from the hours of 0100 to 1000, I
will do as someone suggested.

If I have eight frequencies that come in good at 0100, I will store
them as 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18.

If at 0900 Zulu I have four stations that come in clearly, I will
store them as 91,92,93,94.

These are the times when it is night time and early morning for me
here in the midwest. So it is when I receive the majority of stations anyway.

I'm not sure yet what I will do with the stations I receive from 1000
to 2400 Zulu. The Degen doesn't go beyond 99. It then gets into a lot
of alphabetical characters. I haven't figured out what to do with
those yet. Hopefully reading the manual will aiuto mi.

C'est la vita! :-)

I At 05:22 PM 02/01/2006, you wrote:

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67. Re: 299mhz fm mod

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-04 02:41:04 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 1 Message: 67

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@...> wrote:
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "camteax" <camteax@...>
> To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Wednesday, January 18, 2006 9:49 PM
> Subject: [de1103] 299mhz fm mod
>
> > Does anyone know anything about a mod that will result in the
> > Kaito/Degen 1103 to be able to receive up 299mhz on the fm band.

> It might have been displaying that frequency, but I can't see the
> oscillator going that high. The mixer is a simple balanced FET
> design and that won't work at 299 Mhz, either.

I suspected that pic was "photoshopped," but didn't want to post that
hoo-hah while the group was being heckled. (I also resisted the urge
to scan my 1103 and "run it up to 5gHz"; I must be getting old.)

However, while reviewing my old 1103 files to see if I had anything
worth re-uploading here, I ran across the "unlock >30mHz" trick.

I had tried it at the time and gave up, believing my unit was not
capable of this hack. However I gave it another try, and found I had
overlooked his advice to be _very quick_ to catch it between its
rolling over 30 before flopping into the FM band. On about the third
hair-trigger attempt, I managed to snag it at 30005kHz and promptly
set a memory for it.

However the usefulness of the 1103 is very limited up there. Whatever
random noise I do manage to hear drops off the shelf around 35mHz,
where I presume it hits the top of the lowpass filter.

Curiously, it will roll over to 0kHz after 39999 (displayed as a9999),
displaying the actual frequency + 10kHz (e.g., 1000kHz is shown as 11000).

Regards,

Jeff

> From: "geosc_mapper" <geosc_mapper@y...>
> Date: Tue Mar 22, 2005 1:22 pm
> Subject: ANother easter egg: 31 mHz and more/

> Try this hint:
> Type 29850, hit BAND+, then store it in MEMORY.
> Then hold BAND+ to start scanning up.

> Very sensitive moment: be ready to stop scanning by touching wheel
> or push ANY button when frequency goes beyond 30 000 - first digit
> becomes like mirrored 6: Something like d0005. Store this new
> frequency. Congratulations - you expanded or "opened" your DEGEN
> beyond 29 999 kHerz. It is not so easy to do it from the first try,
> start from saved frequency (29850 or near) again.
...
> The source or information - russian site www.radioscanner.ru

68. Re: Longwire Antenna experiment results

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-04 02:44:31 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 41 Message: 68

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I wanted to thank you for taking the time to post the details. I am sufficiently encouraged by the modest improvement a TV balun gave me that when I have time to tinker, I'll give winding a proper balun a try.

Regards,

Jeff

69. Re: Storing Frequencies

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-04 03:06:20 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 48 Message: 69

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> I'm not sure yet what I will do with the stations I receive from
> 1000 to 2400 Zulu. The Degen doesn't go beyond 99. It then gets
> into a lot of alphabetical characters. I haven't figured out what
> to do with those yet. Hopefully reading the manual will aiuto mi.

They're hexadecimal notation, used to display the 256 memory positions in two character positions. AF = 175, for example. And between the apparently adjacent 19 and 20 are six more memory slots, 1A through 1F.

There is a table of the memory "banks" on page 5 of the user-contributed short manual in the files area, Guide-DE1103.pdf. Or you can use Windows' calculator (on the Accessories tab) to do conversions from hex to decimal.

If you used the A's for 10h UTC through the F's for 15h, that'll get you close to bedtime for the Central Time zone (hi).

(Irrelevant digression: I used duodecimal back in the DOS days to date files within the 3-char extension as Mo/Day, using A for Oct, B Nov, and C for December.)

Regards,

Jeff

70. Re: Longwire Antenna experiment results

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-04 06:01:00 UTC
From: obx2001
Topic: 41 Message: 70

Its easy really. The hard part
is finding the proper ferrite core.

The results are great.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jeffkopp" <jeffkopp@...> wrote:
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "obx2001" <obx2001@> wrote:
> >
> > I will post a file in documents regarding
> > the 9:1 balun. It is made with type 43
> > ferrite and about 1 1/4'' wide and looks
> > like a doughnut.
>
> I wanted to thank you for taking the time to post the details. I am
> sufficiently encouraged by the modest improvement a TV balun gave me
> that when I have time to tinker, I'll give winding a proper balun a
try.
>
> Regards,
>
> Jeff
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71. No SSB

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-04 06:46:46 UTC
From: Adam Yuret
Topic: 71 Message: 71
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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[ Attachment content not displayed ]
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72. Re: [de1103] No SSB

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-04 06:53:32 UTC
From: Nick Queen
Topic: 71 Message: 72

Hello,

I know I received the Halifax WEFAX on my PC through my Degen. While a little scratchy (still working out my antenna kinks!), it looked nice. I finally got it working by tuning in a strong signal, going to SSB mose, and tuning out the noise with the fine tuner to where I could hear the broadcasts clearly on SSB. Then I tuned back to the WEFAX station. Worked wonders. What program are you using to receive the fax, or are you using something else?

Nick

http://www.nickqueen.com

Adam Yuret wrote:
I have an 1103 and I bought it primarily for the SSB feature. I am trying to use it to receieve weatherfax for use on an Offshore sailboat. I want to iron out the kinks in the system before relying on it as my primary source of weather information in the Pacific. Currently I get nothing on ssb whatsoever. I have been using it in my house which is not made of concrete and when I tune the Pt Reyes frequency I get a different kind of noise (A squeeee type noise instead of a white noise hiss) but I know the noise is not the fax transmission. sometimes I will hear faint beeps under the squee and as I tune it the fax image doesnt improve.

I wondered if mine is busted or if I need to be on a hill or outside or go to sea before I can recieve Volmet or weatherfax on ssb.

I have never been a radio geek but im trying to ramp up ;-)

Thanks in advance,

Adam Yuret
s/v Estrella
Magellan 36' Ketch
http://www.sailestrella.com (http://www.sailestrella.com/)

73. You know who tries to join!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-04 19:38:18 UTC
From: leon_heller
Topic: 73 Message: 73

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Leon

74. Re: [de1103] You know who tries to join!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-04 21:10:14 UTC
From: John Kinnunen
Topic: 73 Message: 74

Hi Leon,

Well, at least you have the ability to delete someone
who acts like an *&$%^!

By the way, did all of the info (files, photos, Web
sights, etc.) get transferred to this new group? I
would like to delete my name from the old group If
everything has been copied over.

I also am thinking of modifying my Degen DE1103 to
copy DRM programs. Mine has the jumper were you can
tap off for the 450 khz sig. I have a down converter
and the program for the computer. Has anyone else
tried it?

John Kinnunen
KB0ADD

--- leon_heller <leon.heller@...> wrote:

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> Leon
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75. Re: [de1103] You know who tries to join!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-04 21:24:48 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 73 Message: 75

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----- Original Message -----
From: "John Kinnunen" <kb0add@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 04, 2006 9:10 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] You know who tries to join!

> Hi Leon,
>
> Well, at least you have the ability to delete someone
> who acts like an *&$%^!

He just tried to join again!

>
> By the way, did all of the info (files, photos, Web
> sights, etc.) get transferred to this new group? I
> would like to delete my name from the old group If
> everything has been copied over.
>
> I also am thinking of modifying my Degen DE1103 to
> copy DRM programs. Mine has the jumper were you can
> tap off for the 450 khz sig. I have a down converter
> and the program for the computer. Has anyone else
> tried it?

I've got some of the stuff, which I'll be uploading.

Leon
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76. Schematic diagram

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-05 13:57:18 UTC
From: lidopasquesi@virgilio.it
Topic: 76 Message: 76

Anibody has the scheme of the receiver?
Lido

77. Re: You know who tries to join!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-05 17:57:12 UTC
From: bobrickelman
Topic: 73 Message: 77

Thanks for taking the time to start this group, Leon. I was really fed up with off-topic rantings of one particular person that we all know. I am new to this forum today, and look forward to a peaceful, productive and informative group! I've owned my DE1103 for almost a year, and love it. I've owned shortwave radios for over 30 years, and fall in to cycles of dedicated listening and not listening. I look forward to getting to know the group members in the future.

--Bob

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> they are kosher, which should ensure that he doesn't pollute this
> group by joining under a new name.
>
> Leon
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78. Re: Schematic diagram

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-05 19:32:51 UTC
From: leon_heller
Topic: 76 Message: 78

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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "lidopasquesi@..." <lidopasquesi@...>
wrote:
>
> Anibody has the scheme of the receiver?

I've just uploaded it to Files (de1103_main.jpg)

Leon
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79. Re: [de1103] Re: You know who tries to join!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-05 20:18:06 UTC
From: Lido
Topic: 73 Message: 79

Tnx for e scheme. I don't understand becouse it is not in user manual. if happened somethig threwill be a lot of troble without it.
Lido
----- Original Message -----
From: bobrickelman
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, February 05, 2006 6:57 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: You know who tries to join!

Thanks for taking the time to start this group, Leon. I was really fed up with off-topic rantings of one particular person that we all know. I am new to this forum today, and look forward to a peaceful, productive and informative group! I've owned my DE1103 for almost a year, and love it. I've owned shortwave radios for over 30 years, and fall in to cycles of dedicated listening and not listening. I look forward to getting to know the group members in the future.

--Bob

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80. Re: You know who tries to join!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-06 01:46:27 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 73 Message: 80

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spelling errors look strangely familiar. lol I must be getting paranoid!

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>
> Leon
>

81. Re: You know who tries to join!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-06 04:09:53 UTC
From: Jim Hackett
Topic: 73 Message: 81

That makes 2 of us...

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nash" <nash2042004@...> wrote:
>
> It appears Lido may have gone to the same grammar school? The
> spelling errors look strangely familiar. lol I must be getting
paranoid!
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "leon_heller" <leon.heller@> wrote:
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> > they are kosher, which should ensure that he doesn't pollute this
> > group by joining under a new name.
> >
> > Leon
> >
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82. Re: You know who tries to join!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-06 04:19:33 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 73 Message: 82

C'mon, let's not jump to prejudiced conclusions. Lido may very well be an Italian ham whose English grammar is way better than your Italian grammar. All he asked for was where he could find a schematic. He did so politely without putting anyone down.

73, Tom

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Jim Hackett" <jim_hack@...> wrote:
>
> That makes 2 of us...
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>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nash" <nash2042004@> wrote:
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83. AGC/AVC?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-06 08:37:11 UTC
From: uheckjk
Topic: 83 Message: 83

I suppose I should wait until I actually take delivery on KA1108, but I can't wait to ask about the quality, or lack thereof, of the automatic volume (gain) control circuitry in the KA1108. With the volume being so slow to adjust, it would be difficult to scan around with the older type radios I'm used to using, if the volume control was as hard to use as with the KA1108. Has anybody noted this as a short coming? Thanks!

84. DE1103 Manual

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-06 14:59:52 UTC
From: leon_heller
Topic: 84 Message: 84

I've just uploaded the 'official' DE1103 manual. I've used Winzip to split the file into two parts: degens-manual-e1103.zip and degens-manual-e1103.z01.

Leon

85. Re: [de1103] Re: You know who tries to join!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-06 20:28:29 UTC
From: Lido
Topic: 73 Message: 85

HI, sometime I can make some errors but sometime the Microsoft keyboard help.... Probably in italian I have less problems. But I think.. is it so important?
73
Lido
----- Original Message -----
From: Nash
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, February 06, 2006 2:46 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: You know who tries to join!

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86. Re: [de1103] Re: You know who tries to join!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-06 20:50:16 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 73 Message: 86

----- Original Message -----
From: Lido
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, February 06, 2006 8:28 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: You know who tries to join!

HI, sometime I can make some errors but sometime the Microsoft keyboard help.... Probably in italian I have less problems. But I think.. is it so important?
73
Lido

That's all right, one or two people were a bit paranoid and thought you were someone else who has been a nuisance on the original group. I knew you weren't, of course, and allowed your posts.

Your English is *much* better than my Italian, which is virtually non-existent!

Leon Heller
Moderator

87. Re: You know who tries to join!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-06 23:28:57 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 73 Message: 87

Lido, sorry if I offended you. I'm certain you are more than welcome
by everyone here.

Like my original post said, I was just being paranoid and I was
laughing at myself. Please take what I wrote with a grain of salt.

The gremlin who plagued the last user group left many very skeptical
and suspicious. His writing style, if you could call it that, was
peppered with deliberately miss spelled words and off the wall,
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think.. is it so important?
> 73
> Lido
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Nash
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, February 06, 2006 2:46 AM
> Subject: [de1103] Re: You know who tries to join!
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88. fet preamp

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-07 01:16:21 UTC
From: Daryl
Topic: 88 Message: 88

is this a very common problem with the 1103 weather degun or kaito for the fet to blow
Daryl

89. Re: [de1103] Re: You know who tries to join!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-07 20:17:22 UTC
From: Lido
Topic: 73 Message: 89

No problem. My mistakes are only becouse I use two wireless keyboars in the same room (and my poor english). Be sure that I am only interested on radio (I am ham since 1981)
Bye
Lido
----- Original Message -----
From: Nash
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 07, 2006 12:28 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: You know who tries to join!

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> Sent: Monday, February 06, 2006 2:46 AM
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91. Re: DE1107 no time display (cross post)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-08 16:41:23 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 91 Message: 91

Even I do not own a DE1107 yet judging for the picture of this radio
believe it uses an independent battery to power the LCD displays
(just like most camcorders)rather than by the radio's AA size
batteries as the DE1103 does. Please check the user manual if it
mentions anything about replacing the "clock/display (or whatever
name)" batteries. At worse may need to open the case and look for a
button type battery mounted somewhere in the PC boards. Replace it
and will likely solve the problem.
Hope this helps.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nash" <nash2042004@...> wrote:
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> I tried removing the batteries for a while and installing them
again
> in an effort to "reset" the radio and I also tried using an AC
> adapter. Both methods made no difference.
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92. RE: [de1103] DE1107 no time display (cross post)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-08 15:34:10 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 91 Message: 92

Sounds like the clock is kaput. I wish I could help more, did you get it from Lipyn?

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Nash
Sent: Wednesday, February 08, 2006 10:09 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] DE1107 no time display (cross post)

I've had my DE1107 since last October, and I use it at work all the time. Just today the LCD time display no longer works. The radio still plays but the time display doesn't appear.

I tried removing the batteries for a while and installing them again in an effort to "reset" the radio and I also tried using an AC adapter. Both methods made no difference.

The radio has been treated with kid gloves and has never been bumped or dropped. The time display never appeared weak before it died out completely either. Up until now the radio has been running strictly on batteries.

Does anyone have a suggestion before I return it for warranty repair?

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93. Re: DE1107 no time display (cross post)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-09 01:31:49 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 91 Message: 93

I checked more DE1107 info at home and seemingly no independent battery required to power the LCD displays alone. Please dont waste time to trace such "none-exist" battery. I am sorry to give you the incorrect info. Anyhow, think positive, it may not be a complicated electronics problem. Likely caused by a dead light emitting diode(s) next to the LCD window. If this is the case try changing your viewing points at different angles (under reflections) and confirm if the clock is still working. I fixed my car radio's "dead display" once by replacing a burn out illumination light at the back of the LCD screen without applying "intensitive" trouble shootings!

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95. fet 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-08 11:31:14 UTC
From: darylrocker
Topic: 95 Message: 95

is this a very common problem with the 1103 degen or kaito for the fet
to blow
Daryl

96. Re: fet 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-10 04:09:25 UTC
From: ashkii22
Topic: 95 Message: 96

I've had my De1103 since December '05 and I have not had that problem.
I live in AZ and the humidity right now is around 3-5% so there is a
lot of static electricity. I just take care to ground myself usually
by just holding my hand to wall for a few seconds. This is my first sw
radio and I love it.

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97. RE: [de1103] Re: fet 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-10 04:36:56 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 95 Message: 97

Yep I have had mine since Dec 04. No probs...

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of ashkii22
Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2006 11:09 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: fet 1103

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98. BCB filter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-10 11:01:35 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 98 Message: 98

A while back I inquired about a high-pass filter when we were discussing the problems we who live near local stations face. Someone thoughtfully referred me to some plans, but unfortunately constructing such things is no longer easy for me.

I did find a reasonably priced filter (~$30) listed at http://www.iceradioproducts.com/filtersrf.html#bcb after seeing it mentioned on Radio Netherlands' site.

The lightweight ("receive only") models are fitted with RCA jacks, which should make them easier to deal with (as adapters are readily available).

I did remove the 10db 5-500mHz coax barrel amp I'd placed at my 75-300 balun, as it raised the background noise considerably, though after removal I realized it only made tuning around noisier, but it was not bringing in more interference. And it did sort of reduce images from <3mHz, though I am not sure if it was acting as a filter or merely elevating the signals above that point higher than the BCB signals.

Ten-Tec sells a simple enclosure for connecting lead-in to a dipole, but it's merely a convenient enclosure, no balun. But only $10. http://radio.tentec.com/Amateur/Accessories/TT3003 Link to the manual .pdf doesn't work but can be found at http://www.aoruk.com/tentec/aerials/model3003.pdf

As for the anxiety I see here about statis and the RF FET, I have only seen it reported rarely here (there were also a few who received units with "only a quiet hissing sound on all bands"), so I suspect this is a probably sporadic mfr defect, and not a delicate problem to be especially concerned about.

As for that photo of an ad fpr an eaves antenna by Radio Shack for $29, I think someone was pulling our leg a little. After hunting futilely an hour for the thing, I realized that magazine must have been twenty years old.

100. Re: fet 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-10 23:03:26 UTC
From: wgnam720
Topic: 95 Message: 100

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I don't think it's a problem with this particular radio over any other one. Static electricity is a proplem with many peices of electronic equipment.

I've had my 1103 since summer 04 with no problems.

I've probably learned the hard way about static electricity. Back in the mid 80s I blew out the AM section of a portable radio/recorder by touching the FM antenna. I've been careful ever since.

101. Re: [de1103] Re: fet 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-11 00:44:39 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 95 Message: 101

Doesn't the humidity have to be below a certain percentage before
this type of lightning strike can occur?

If so , what is the humidity level below which things become so dry
that you shock the himmel out of yourself every time you touch things?

At 05:03 PM 02/10/2006, you wrote:

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102. R: Re: [de1103] Re: fet 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-11 05:49:24 UTC
From: lidopasquesi@virgilio.it
Topic: 102 Message: 102

In my esperience about 15-20%

----Messaggio originale----
Da:
clydebenson@...
Data: 11-feb-2006 1.44
A: <de1103@yahoogroups.
com>
Ogg: Re: [de1103] Re: fet 1103

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103. Re: R: Re: [de1103] Re: fet 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-11 16:42:29 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 102 Message: 103

Va bene. Grazie mille.

Sotto quindici-venti per cento e pericolo.

At 11:49 PM 02/10/2006, you wrote:

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>
>----Messaggio originale----
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104. Back stand source 1103 ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-16 15:04:20 UTC
From: wa8vnz
Topic: 104 Message: 104

This message crossposted to unmoderated 1103 group also.

Hi

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If you have recent info on where/how I can obtain one I would appreciate it. Contact phone numbers and/or web and/or email addresses would be appreciated.

Thanks in advance.....Mark/W8VNZ

105. Re: DE1103 Manual

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-16 15:17:28 UTC
From: wa8vnz
Topic: 84 Message: 105

I don't know if it is just me or not, but when I tried to unzip and open any of the 3 files that you have posted in the files section of the 1103 manual, I get an error report of corrupted .zip file . Is anyone else having this problem? Also, are there any changes in this 'manual' from the one/ones that have been posted in the past other than the splitting of the main .zip file?

Thanks.....Mark/W8VNZ

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "leon_heller" <leon.heller@...> wrote:
>
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> split the file into two parts: degens-manual-e1103.zip and
> degens-manual-e1103.z01.
>
> Leon
>

106. RE: [de1103] Back stand source 1103 ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-16 15:28:38 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 104 Message: 106

Had the same problem. Good luck getting a new one back in. Here
is the e-mail for Degen service. I think the womens name is Nicole.
mailto:tecsun@... JB

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
wa8vnz
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2006 10:04 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Back stand source 1103 ???

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107. Re: [de1103] Re: DE1103 Manual

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-16 15:34:39 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 84 Message: 107

----- Original Message -----
From: "wa8vnz" <wa8vnz@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2006 3:17 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: DE1103 Manual

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> open any of the 3 files that you have posted in the files section of
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> anyone else having this problem?

I just downloaded the two files and they unzipped OK, using WinZIP.

Also, are there any changes in this
> 'manual' from the one/ones that have been posted in the past other
> than the splitting of the main .zip file?

Should be the same. It's the 15 page 'official' Degen one.

Leon

108. newbster here

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-16 16:57:43 UTC
From: Russ
Topic: 108 Message: 108

hey there,
I am a new member and a Degen Newbie. Well, not even, I am awaiting delivery of my DE1103 from China.
I also have a Sangean 909, and assorted old RAdio Shack/realistic knock-offs.
The Sangean is ok, but I was a little underwhelmed with its performance off the whip. I added the degen amplified antenna and it got a little better. I am now considering an outdoor or an attic antenna. If anyone wants to offer some advice, fire away.
One more thing, any news on WHEN the De1108 will arrive and how much it's gonna cost? I'd better put a few nickels away now.

109. Re: [de1103] Re: DE1103 Manual

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-16 19:19:43 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 84 Message: 109

I had the same problem. So I boxed up the radio and shipped it back
to them and told them to give me the first Degen 1108 that is produced.

I expect to hear something positive soon.

CB

At 09:17 AM 02/16/2006, you wrote:

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110. Re: Back stand source 1103 ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-17 12:27:12 UTC
From: Rick Robinson
Topic: 104 Message: 110

Hi Mark,

If you are in the US, try calling Kaito USA at 1-866 KAITO76 and see if they have a parts department. If so, maybe they will have a replacement.

Let us know,

Rick W4DST

111. Re: [de1103] newbster here

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-18 11:46:18 UTC
From: Lido
Topic: 108 Message: 111

Hi, for the esternal antenna in the box of the Degen there is a long (short) wire that run quite well. You can also use a long (not less than 20 meters or abt 200 ft) with a capacitor (varable) in series near the receiver. In the Degen the is a jack for external antenna.
Remember, the wire would have to be highest and far from electric lines, battery charger, computer and so on. You have to try for best results becouse sometimes (often) big signals are not the same then good reception.
Lido
----- Original Message -----
From: Russ
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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Subject: [de1103] newbster here

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112. Re: newbster here

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-18 15:17:38 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 108 Message: 112

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Russ" <rsalsman23@...> wrote:
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Just a shot....
http://www.cebik.com/
http://www.hamuniverse.com/antennas.html
http://www.kr1st.com/
just start assembly http://www.kr1st.com/swlloop.htm
http://www.kr1st.com/anttest.htm

Reg.: jan

113. Re: newbster here

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-18 13:22:19 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 108 Message: 113

A long antenna is definately better than a short one for picking up
weak stations. "BUT" also need to consider the shortcomings.
1. It will pick up atmosphere noises/interference and static
charges from the atmosphere and may blower out the radio front end
FET transistors. (see other discussions in this forum)
2. It will overload the radio by "strong" signals(including those
local MW stations) and made receptions difficult/impossible.
Nevertheless most stations nowadays are petty strong and broadcast in
different freq.at the same time. Selecting the "right" reception
frequencies and lisening hours is more important than using a "long"
antenna to boost the receptions.
Hope it helps.

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114. Comparison with an old communications receiver

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-18 19:10:01 UTC
From: leon_heller
Topic: 114 Message: 114

A friend of mine collects and restores old miltary radio equipment made by companies like Racal and Redifon. His favourite receiver is a Redifon R551N, which is connected to a long wire antenna via a motorised ATU. The R551N was a very high specification receiver and must have cost a great deal of money when it was in production.

When I went to see him yesterday I took my DE1103 with me, and we tuned both radios to the same stations on the 14 m band. The DE1103 was just using the whip antenna and we found that although it wasn't as sensitive as the R551N, there wasn't all that much in it. Of course, the R551N would be much better when bands are crowded, due to the much higher selectivity available.

Leon

115. Re: Back stand source 1103 ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-19 13:45:24 UTC
From: wa8vnz
Topic: 104 Message: 115

Thanks for the info. I'll try the email route first and see if that gets any results, if not then I will try the fone number. I know quite a while back several on the group had luck getting replacement backstands so I am hopefull.

Thanks again

Mark/W8VNZ

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> Thanks in advance.....Mark/W8VNZ
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116. RE: [de1103] Re: Back stand source 1103 ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-19 20:07:09 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 104 Message: 116

Mark I got mine from Kaito, it took some doing to get Walter to give me one.
I think he had to butcher another radio..:)

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
wa8vnz
Sent: Sunday, February 19, 2006 8:45 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: Back stand source 1103 ???

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117. new to group

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-20 00:53:12 UTC
From: fotoright
Topic: 117 Message: 117

I just joined; what a pleasure it is to read posts from people who are on topic and courteous. I looked at the groups "files section." I had posted both the main DE 1103 schematic and the CPU in the DE1103 group I left. The CPU schematic is not here. If you want it, I'll post it. Again, Moderator, thanks for letting me join. Fotoright KC6SZG.

118. Re: newbster here

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-20 13:41:03 UTC
From: Russ
Topic: 108 Message: 118

Got the radio and have already had an interesting issue with signal
overload.
When I first started listening to the DE1103, I thought that there
was a problem cleaning up the SSB signals with the "fine tune" knob.
I couldn't seem to zero in on a signal and clean it up, the way I
could with the ATS-909. As I got more familiar with the degen, I
realized that the problem wasn't a lack of clarity, it was that I
was picking up SOOO many more signals on a frequency. Instead of
hearing one signal, I was hearing 5-10, I guess. When I finally
figured out how to operate it, I could pull a signal from hundreds
of miles farther than I ever could on the 909.
Amazing little radio.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
>
> A long antenna is definately better than a short one for picking
up
> weak stations. "BUT" also need to consider the shortcomings.
> 1. It will pick up atmosphere noises/interference and static
> charges from the atmosphere and may blower out the radio front
end
> FET transistors. (see other discussions in this forum)
> 2. It will overload the radio by "strong" signals(including
those
> local MW stations) and made receptions difficult/impossible.
> Nevertheless most stations nowadays are petty strong and broadcast
in
> different freq.at the same time. Selecting the "right" reception
> frequencies and lisening hours is more important than using
a "long"
> antenna to boost the receptions.
> Hope it helps.
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Lido" <lidopasquesi@> wrote:
> >
> > Hi, for the esternal antenna in the box of the Degen there is a
> long (short) wire that run quite well. You can also use a long (
> not less than 20 meters or abt 200 ft) with a capacitor (
varable)
> in series near the receiver. In the Degen the is a jack for
external
> antenna.
> > Remember, the wire would have to be highest and far from
electric
> lines, battery charger, computer and so on. You have to try for

best
> results becouse sometimes (often) big signals are not the same
then
> good reception.
> > Lido
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: Russ
> > To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> > Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2006 5:57 PM
> > Subject: [de1103] newbster here
> >
> >
> > hey there,
> > I am a new member and a Degen Newbie. Well, not even, I am
> awaiting
> > delivery of my DE1103 from China.
> > I also have a Sangean 909, and assorted old RAdio
Shack/realistic
> > knock-offs.
> > The Sangean is ok, but I was a little underwhelmed with its
> > performance off the whip. I added the degen amplified antenna
and
> it
> > got a little better. I am now considering an outdoor or an
attic
> > antenna. If anyone wants to offer some advice, fire away.
> > One more thing, any news on WHEN the De1108 will arrive and
how
> much
> > it's gonna cost? I'd better put a few nickels away now.
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> > SPONSORED LINKS Ham radio
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> > YAHOO! GROUPS LINKS
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> > a.. Visit your group "de1103" on the web.
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> > b.. To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
> > de1103-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com

> >
> > c.. Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to the Yahoo!
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> of Service.
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> > No virus found in this incoming message.
> > Checked by AVG Free Edition.
> > Version: 7.1.375 / Virus Database: 267.15.6/257 - Release
Date:
> 10/02/2006
> >
>

119. Kaito info for group.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-25 20:36:02 UTC
From: fotoright
Topic: 119 Message: 119

Here is the USA address and phone #s and internet addess for
Kaito Electronics, Inc. (A subsidiary of CEIEC ShenZhen).

"Here is what Kaito Electronics, Inc. does in the USA:

We ship from L.A. to all over the country with a satisfaction
guaranteed policy. We are mainly doing wholesales from this location
and Online sales. Our Brands: Mastech, Sinometer, Unistar, Kaiwa,
EPSIC, HISONIC. Our web site www.kaitousa.com was launched on
07/15/1997. Mailing address: 5185 Cliffwood Drive, Montclair, CA 91763
Please contact us: Toll Free 1-866 KAITO76, or Tel: (909)628 6088,
Fax:(909) 628 7999. Email: info@...".

120. Re: Back stand source 1103 ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-25 20:28:09 UTC
From: fotoright
Topic: 104 Message: 120

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
>
> Mark I got mine from Kaito, it took some doing to get Walter to
give me one.
> I think he had to butcher another radio..:)
>
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>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On
Behalf Of
> wa8vnz
> Sent: Sunday, February 19, 2006 8:45 AM
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [de1103] Re: Back stand source 1103 ???
>
>
>
> Thanks for the info. I'll try the email route first and see if
that
> gets any results, if not then I will try the fone number. I know
> quite a while back several on the group had luck getting
replacement
> backstands so I am hopefull.
>
> Thanks again
>
> Mark/W8VNZ
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "wa8vnz" <wa8vnz@> wrote:
> >
> > This message crossposted to unmoderated 1103 group also.
> >
> > Hi
> >
> > After a year of use I managed to break the backstand on my Degen
> 1103.
> > I did a search of past postings but felt that the info may or may
> not
> > be current. So I thought I would post a query for the latest
known
> > info on sourcing for the 1103 backstand.
> >
> > If you have recent info on where/how I can obtain one I would
> > appreciate it. Contact phone numbers and/or web and/or email

> addresses
> > would be appreciated.
> >
> > Thanks in advance.....Mark/W8VNZ
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> <http://groups.yahoo.com/gads?
t=ms&k=Ham+radio&w1=Ham+radio&c=1&s=15&.sig=t8
> IpznzYq-E2LbCrDXaGPQ> radio
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> YAHOO! GROUPS LINKS
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> * Visit your group "de1103
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103> "
> on the web.
>
>
> * To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
> de1103-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com
> <mailto:de1103-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com?subject=Unsubscribe>
>
>
> * Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to the Yahoo!
> <http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/> Terms of Service.
>
>
>
> _____
>This info might help for Kaito purchases, repairs, parts:

Kaito Electronics, Inc. A subsidiary of CEIEC ShenZhen Since 1997.
Here is what Kaito Electronics, Inc does in the USA.

We ship from L.A. to all over the country with satisfactory guaranteed policy. We are mainly doing wholesales from this location and Online sales.
Kaito web site www.kaitousa.com (was launched on 07/15/1997).

Address:
5185 Cliffwood Drive, Montclair, CA 91763

Phone: Toll Free 1-866 KAITO76 ,

Tel: (909) 628 6088,Fax:(909) 628 7999

Email: info@...

Good lucky with your quest for a back stand.

121. Clock Speed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-26 15:53:22 UTC
From: katie10543
Topic: 121 Message: 121

I really like this radio, but the clock in mine runs fast. It's gaining about 10 seconds/day, which is just horrible for any xtal controlled clock. Do I have a bad unit or is this a common problem? If the latter is the case, does anyone have a fix for it?

The xtal is just barely accessible under the metal shield in the top half of the unit. When I measure the frequency (with an accurate counter) it reads 32768Hz +/- .05Hz. So the xtal itself seems to be good, but there are a few possibilities that I can think of:

1) The clock circuit is picking up noise and generating extra clock ticks.

2) Just measuring the oscillator frequency is putting enough load on the circuit to force it to oscillate more accurately. (If this is the case I need to figure out an appropriate load to permanently add to the circuit.)

3) The firmware in the CPU is buggy (but then everyone would have this same fast clock problem).

Thanks,

-K

122. Re: [de1103] Clock Speed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-26 18:33:01 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 121 Message: 122

----- Original Message -----
From: "katie10543" <katie10543@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 26, 2006 3:53 PM
Subject: [de1103] Clock Speed

>I really like this radio, but the clock in mine runs fast. It's
> gaining about 10 seconds/day, which is just horrible for any xtal
> controlled clock. Do I have a bad unit or is this a common problem?
> If the latter is the case, does anyone have a fix for it?
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> ticks.
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> the circuit to force it to oscillate more accurately. (If this is
> the case I need to figure out an appropriate load to permanently add
> to the circuit.)
>
> 3) The firmware in the CPU is buggy (but then everyone would have
> this same fast clock problem).

I think I set mine a couple of weeks ago, and it is about a minute out, now,
FWIW.

Leon

123. Re: Clock Speed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-26 20:37:36 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 121 Message: 123

Found the following in the internet:--- I never try it though.
"... connect a 120P cap in parallel with the C802(see the CPU
schematic)... " No doubt this is an approximate value and an
adjuctable cap substitude should be more desirable. Needless to say
in order to meet you demanding criteria the quality of component(s)as
well as the accuracy of measuring equipments used will be VERY
critical.
Let us know if such modification helps.

In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@...> wrote:
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "katie10543" <katie10543@...>
> To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Sunday, February 26, 2006 3:53 PM
> Subject: [de1103] Clock Speed
>
>
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> > gaining about 10 seconds/day, which is just horrible for any xtal
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> > half of the unit. When I measure the frequency (with an accurate
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> > this same fast clock problem).
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> I think I set mine a couple of weeks ago, and it is about a minute out, now,
> FWIW.
>
> Leon
>

124. Re: Clock Speed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-27 15:28:56 UTC
From: katie10543
Topic: 121 Message: 124

That makes sense and agrees with my clock frequency measurements when I hooked up a counter to that point in the circuit. I'll make the modification and report back on the results after a few days of testing. Thanks!

FYI, this turns out to be a really hard problem to solve in general, finding the source of a problem 32768Hz oscillator. Take a look at this paper:
http://www.eetasia.com/ARTICLES/2004DEC/A/2004DEC14_NTEK_AN.PDF

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say
> in order to meet you demanding criteria the quality of component(s)
as
> well as the accuracy of measuring equipments used will be VERY
> critical.
> Let us know if such modification helps.
>
> In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@> wrote:
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> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: "katie10543" <katie10543@>
> > To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> > Sent: Sunday, February 26, 2006 3:53 PM
> > Subject: [de1103] Clock Speed
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> >
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> >
> > Leon
> >
>

125. Re: Clock Speed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-27 19:55:12 UTC
From: wgnam720
Topic: 121 Message: 125

I've not checked mine to the second, but it's gained about 2 minutes in the same number of weeks. It is a minor annoyance compared to the great performance of the radio, though. Its just the opposite of Sony clock, that lose time.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "katie10543" <katie10543@...> wrote:
>
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> controlled clock. Do I have a bad unit or is this a common problem?
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> to the circuit.)
>
> 3) The firmware in the CPU is buggy (but then everyone would have
> this same fast clock problem).
>
> Thanks,
>
> -K
>

127. KA1103 for sale; new/mint

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-02-28 05:14:30 UTC
From: Tom
Topic: 127 Message: 127

Howdy.

I ordered an 1103, hooked it up, and listened a bit, and now it's been sitting on my bedstand for a month unused.

I thought I'd see if anyone in the group here is interested before I go to Ebay.

It's the (US version with 1 year warranty) ka1103 with the KA31 active loop antenna.

Not a scratch on it...all accessories included (recharged the batteries once when new--that's it). Original packaging, inserts, etc.

Here's a pic:

http://www.stanford.edu/~twiggins/sale/1103.jpg

I paid $120 + $15 shipping.

I'd like $100 for it--and I'll cover shipping + insurance to you.

I'd prefer Paypal. I'd have to wait for a check to clear.

Please email me at twiggins(at)stanford(dot)edu if you are interested.

Please don't haggle or lowball me. If it isn't gone in a week, I'll put it on Ebay.

Thanks,

Tom

128. Re: KA1103 for sale; new/mint

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-01 02:47:54 UTC
From: Theo
Topic: 127 Message: 128

Gulp: $US120?

The DE1103 is available for ~$US45 new...

TD

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tom" <luxvobis@...> wrote:
>
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> put it on Ebay.
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> Thanks,
>
> Tom
>

129. RE: [de1103] Re: KA1103 for sale; new/mint

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-01 03:17:43 UTC
From: Jay Lackritz
Topic: 127 Message: 129

Radios4you charges $120 + $10 for the U.S. Kaito KA1103 + KA31 active antenna:
http://www.radios4you.com/kaito-ka1103.html

So he is offering a discount off of their price.

There are some people who have enough money & want to buy in the U.S., while many of us enjoy the great discounts we get on EBay, when we order directly from China.

JL

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Theo
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2006 9:48 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: KA1103 for sale; new/mint

Gulp: $US120?

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TD

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> put it on Ebay.
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> Thanks,
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> Tom
>

Yahoo! Groups Links

130. Best Battery Chargers

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-01 23:42:38 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 130 Message: 130

Top of the day to you mates,

Does anyone here have any experience with these
two chargers? Do you know anyone who is using
them? Do you think they are worth the money?

Any other thoughts are welcome.

The NEW ACCUMANAGER 20 - Special $48.97 - battery
charger is designed to charge any combination of
AA, AAA, C, D, & 9V NiMH, NiCD rechargeable
batteries and the new AccuCell RAM☐ battery sizes at any time

http://www.thomas-distributing.com/ap-accupower20.htm

Or this one:

ANSMANN Deluxe "Energy 8" Battery Charger Your Cost $85.97

The Ansmann Deluxe Precision "Energy 8" battery
charger is one of the most advanced battery
chargers on the market today, and the answer for
charging up to six "AA" or six "AAA" rechargeable
batteries and two 9V rechargeable batteries all at the same time

http://www.thomas-distributing.com/ansmann_battery_charger_5407022.htm

131. Reception report

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-02 00:44:05 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 131 Message: 131

ImHotep Amigi miei,

Well,

I got my first Sony 2010, SN 91400, that I bought on Ebay for $265.00 last December out of the repair shop today. it stopped working about a week after I received it. I was plenty mad about that.

Anyway Joe, my local small town electronics repair guy, took five weeks to repair it, but he only charged me $33.00. He said the reason it suddenly went dead was that something in the battery compartment was not making a good connection. So he wired a jumper to take care of that. He also installed several other things. He said the FET transistor was OK, and he didn't need to replace it.

So I got it home expecting the worst. I turned the radio on at 1830 Zulu. I tuned into 21470 VOA. The station was hearable, but none of the lights lit up. I carefully tuned the Kaito 31 until I was able to get one 1red dot on the 2010 to light up.

Then I took it into the bedroom and hooked it up to the long wire running from my bedroom to the back porch. I guess it is about 50 or sixty feet in length.

To my amazement, 8 red dots lit up. The station came in loud and clear. I was astounded at the difference. The random wire blew the Kaito 31 away on the Sony 2010.

Then I hooked the wire up to the antenna of the Sony. The dots dropped back to about 3 It was still listenable, and stronger than the Kaito, but much weaker than when plugged into the AM antenna jack.

So since the Degen 1103 works very well on the Kaito31, I will continue using it in the living room and leave the Sony 2010 hooked up to the long wire that I was using for the Grundig Yachtboy 400 PE.

I will put the Grundig in the bathroom so that I will have something to listen to when I'm bathing. Since I only do that once a decade, the radio will probably rust sitting there. :-)

I'm one happy camper today. Now if I can only get the second Sony 2010 working. It looks to me more of a challenge than the first one.

Anyway, I thought some here might find my tests interesting.

132. Re: [de1103] Best Battery Chargers

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-02 03:47:23 UTC
From: yrag4931
Topic: 130 Message: 132

I have the La Crosse BC-900 charger and like it,but it doesn't do C,D or 9 volt.Comes with worthwhile extras and a good price.Got it from Thomas Distributing also.
Gary

--- Clyde Benson <clydebenson@...> wrote:

> Top of the day to you mates,
>
> Does anyone here have any experience with these
> two chargers? Do you know anyone who is using
> them? Do you think they are worth the money?
>
> Any other thoughts are welcome.
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> The NEW ACCUMANAGER 20 - Special $48.97 - battery
> charger is designed to charge any combination of
> AA, AAA, C, D, & 9V NiMH, NiCD rechargeable
> batteries and the new AccuCell RAM? battery sizes at any time
>
> http://www.thomas-distributing.com/ap-accupower20.htm
>
> Or this one:
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>
> ANSMANN Deluxe "Energy 8" Battery Charger Your Cost $85.97
>
>
> The Ansmann Deluxe Precision "Energy 8" battery
> charger is one of the most advanced battery
> chargers on the market today, and the answer for
> charging up to six "AA" or six "AAA" rechargeable
> batteries and two 9V rechargeable batteries all at the same time
>
> http://www.thomas-distributing.com/ansmann_battery_charger_5407022.htm

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133. Re: Best Battery Chargers

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-03 02:10:50 UTC
From: sibgtx
Topic: 130 Message: 133

I've done some research on the AccuManager 10, a small brother of AccuManager 20. AccuManager 10 can handle only AA/AAA batteries, but they share the same technology (chip). Manufacturer's web site is here: http://www.accupower.de/ . All reviews I found were very good, but all were on different German-speaking forums (mostly photo). AccuManager 10 is on the top of my list along with Maha MH-C401FS.

Here is another link which might be helpfull:

http://www.crypto.com/chargers/

Andrey

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Clyde Benson <clydebenson@...> wrote:
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> batteries and the new AccuCell RAM□ battery sizes at any time
>
> http://www.thomas-distributing.com/ap-accupower20.htm
>

134. Re: [de1103] Re: Best Battery Chargers

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-03 02:40:00 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 130 Message: 134

Well,

I charged up 4 old Ni-Cads that were over a year
old and not in use plus 4 new Degen NIMH's with this new Arnsmann Energy 8.

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to fullly charge the batteries. It is really
awesome. My old charger took eight hours or more to charge 4 "AA's"

This is like stepping out of a Volkswagon Beatle into A Mercedes Benz! :-)

At 08:10 PM 03/02/2006, you wrote:

>I've done some research on the AccuManager 10, a small brother of
>AccuManager 20. AccuManager 10 can handle only AA/AAA batteries, but
>they share the same technology (chip). Manufacturer's web site is
>here:
><http://www.accupower.de/>http://www.accupower.de/
>. All reviews I found were very good,
>but all were on different German-speaking forums (mostly photo).
>AccuManager 10 is on the top of my list along with Maha MH-C401FS.
>
>Here is another link which might be helpfull:
>
><http://www.crypto.com/chargers/>http://www.crypto.com/chargers/
>
>Andrey
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>--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Clyde Benson <clydebenson@...> wrote:
> >
> > Top of the day to you mates,
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> > Does anyone here have any experience with these
> > two chargers? Do you know anyone who is using
> > them? Do you think they are worth the money?
> >
> > Any other thoughts are welcome.
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135. Re: Best Battery Chargers

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-03 03:33:58 UTC
From: sibgtx
Topic: 130 Message: 135

Speed is not always a good thing. Quick charge = high charging current, which usually means high temperature of cells and could shorten life of cells. Optimal charging current is a constant topic of debates.

Andrey

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Clyde Benson <clydebenson@...> wrote:
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136. RE: [de1103] Re: Best Battery Chargers

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-03 04:55:55 UTC
From: Jay Lackritz
Topic: 130 Message: 136

Must have charger for AA or AAA:

I love the LaCrosse BC-900. You can set the charging current, and it has independent chargers for each battery and a display for each.
It's the nicest I've ever seen & IMHO, a must have.

Two good sites for info: Thomas Distributing & Amazon.com (nice user reviews on Amazon)
You can get data sheets or manuals on both sites:

http://www.thomasdistributing.com/la_crosse_bc-900_battery_charger.php
http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/tg/detail/-/B00077AA5Q?v=glance

Best,
Jay

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-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of sibgtx
Sent: Thursday, March 02, 2006 10:34 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: Best Battery Chargers

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137. New Guy Here

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-03 10:01:02 UTC
From: xts4info
Topic: 137 Message: 137

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138. Re: New Guy Here

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-03 14:28:48 UTC
From: Jim Hackett
Topic: 137 Message: 138

I have the radios yoi mentioned plus the SW-77, SW-2010, plus 100's of other different radios. The 1103 is the most sensitive of all my portables...

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "xts4info" <xts4info@...> wrote:
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139. Re: New Guy Here

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-03 21:33:44 UTC
From: lucysbranch
Topic: 137 Message: 139

I own a Sony 2010 and a Kaito KA 1103. I will NEVER part with my 2010, but, the 1103 is an amazing radio. Get one! You will love it.

Ron

140. Re: [de1103] New Guy Here

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-03 22:37:18 UTC
From: Lido
Topic: 137 Message: 140

I don't know all the receiver you mentioned but I checked my 1103 with my ic 706 and the difference is little on MW and increase on highest frequencies. It has some problems but for 70 buks you can't have more. I like the 1103 and for me is a good receiver.
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----- Original Message -----
From: xts4info
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, March 03, 2006 11:01 AM
Subject: [de1103] New Guy Here

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141. Re: Clock Speed - followup

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-04 02:11:53 UTC
From: katie10543
Topic: 121 Message: 141

Here's a followup report on the clock speed fix that I tried....

I installed a 100pf ceramic disc capacitor between one pin (the one that goes the the XOUT of the CPU) on the 32768Hz crystal and ground. Because this leg of of the crystal is right at the end of the metal shield in the top half of the case, it was pretty easy to access. In fact, I was able to install the capacitor without even separating the case halfs by disconnecting the ribbon cable and encoder wheel plug.

After about 4 days of testing I found that the clock is now only gaining about 1 second/day! A great improvement from the 10 seconds/day that seems to apparently be a common problem with this radio. I suppose that a slightly larger value capacitor might even be better, but 30 seconds/month is about all you can expect from a non-ovenized, low frequency crystal anyway.

-K

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "katie10543" <katie10543@...> wrote:
>
> That makes sense and agrees with my clock frequency measurements when
> I hooked up a counter to that point in the circuit. I'll make the
> modification and report back on the results after a few days of
> testing. Thanks!
>
>
> FYI, this turns out to be a really hard problem to solve in general,
> finding the source of a problem 32768Hz oscillator. Take a look at
> this paper:
> http://www.eetasia.com/ARTICLES/2004DEC/A/2004DEC14_NTEK_AN.PDF
>
>
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@> wrote:
> >
> > Found the following in the internet:--- I never try it though.
> > "... connect a 120P cap in parallel with the C802(see the CPU
> > schematic)... " No doubt this is an approximate value and an
> > adjuctable cap substitude should be more desirable. Needless to say
> > in order to meet you demanding criteria the quality of component(s)
> as

> > well as the accuracy of measuring equipments used will be VERY
> > critical.
> > Let us know if such modification helps.
> >
> > In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@> wrote:
> > >
> > > ----- Original Message -----
> > > From: "katie10543" <katie10543@>
> > > To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> > > Sent: Sunday, February 26, 2006 3:53 PM
> > > Subject: [de1103] Clock Speed
> > >
> > >
> > > >I really like this radio, but the clock in mine runs fast.
It's
> > > > gaining about 10 seconds/day, which is just horrible for any
> xtal
> > > > controlled clock. Do I have a bad unit or is this a common
> > problem?
> > > > If the latter is the case, does anyone have a fix for it?
> > > >
> > > > The xtal is just barely accessible under the metal shield in
> the
> > top
> > > > half of the unit. When I measure the frequency (with an
> accurate
> > > > counter) it reads 32768Hz +/- .05Hz. So the xtal itself
seems
> to
> > be
> > > > good, but there are a few possibilities that I can think of:
> > > >
> > > > 1) The clock circuit is picking up noise and generating extra
> > clock
> > > > ticks.
> > > >
> > > > 2) Just measuring the oscillator frequency is putting enough
> load
> > on
> > > > the circuit to force it to oscillate more accurately. (If
this
> is
> > > > the case I need to figure out an appropriate load to
> permanently
> > add
> > > > to the circuit.)
> > > >
> > > > 3) The firmware in the CPU is buggy (but then everyone would
> have
> > > > this same fast clock problem).

> > >
> > > I think I set mine a couple of weeks ago, and it is about a
> minute
> > out, now,
> > > FWIW.
> > >
> > > Leon
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142. Re: New Guy Here

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-03 20:13:58 UTC
From: Russ
Topic: 137 Message: 142

About a month ago, I replaced my older RadioShack/Sangeans with an ATS-909. I researched every portable out there and decided that
1. the 7600GS was probably best, but
2. The 909 was pretty close and had a LOT more features.
Then I saw the hype over the DE1103, and really just didn't believe it. A cheap little Chinese transistor could NOT be as good as the Sangean or the Sony.
After a month with the 909, I was underwhelmed, to say the least. I bought a DE1103 with the intent of testing them side by side. I could tell the second I fired up the Degen that it blew the 909 away. I did some random testing just to quantify it, but it really wasn't necessary.
I sold the 909 the other day and got my 175 bucks back. I have a total of $68 in the Degen.
So now I am waiting for the 1108...
Buy the De1103.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "xts4info" <xts4info@...> wrote:
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143. Re: New Guy Here

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-03 23:28:31 UTC
From: xts4info
Topic: 137 Message: 143

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "lucysbranch" <lucysbranch@...> wrote:
>

I dont blame you for not wanting to part with the 2010, I would like to own one myself. I feel the same way about my DX-391. It's still my favorite and I have bought a lot of receivers since that one. I am going to go ahead and place the order for the 1103. It's to tempting not to at that price for having sideband operation. Thanks alot.

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> but, the 1103 is an amazing radio. Get one! You will love it.
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> Ron
>

144. Re: New Guy Here

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-03 23:24:25 UTC
From: xts4info
Topic: 137 Message: 144

I apprecite your comment. If you caompare it with that quality, it
has to be worth the price. Thank's a lot.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Jim Hackett" <jim_hack@...> wrote:
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145. Re: New Guy Here

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-03 23:34:23 UTC
From: xts4info
Topic: 137 Message: 145

Thanks for your reply. Im going to go ahead and buy one. One of the things I liked when I first saw it, was the the analog look to the face. I thought it looked excellent, and will make a nice addition to my collection. The input I have received here has been great. I would like to thank you folks. There's nothing like talking to a bunch of SWL's in a civil atmosphere. Dx-ing International HF radio if a great hobby. I have been doing if for over 40 years and have never been tired of it, it always seems to get better.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Lido" <lidopasquesi@...> wrote:
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: xts4info
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Friday, March 03, 2006 11:01 AM
> Subject: [de1103] New Guy Here
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146. Re: New Guy Here

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-05 10:01:44 UTC
From: xts4info
Topic: 137 Message: 146

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Russ" <rsalsman23@...> wrote:

I appreciate your post. I did buy the 1103. I placed the order this weekend, and should have it by the end of the week. It's just to cool to continue to pass up. I'm planning a short trip out of town to my daughters, but I'm going to wait untill the new radio gets here now to take it with me. I have what I call a portable listening post in a briefcase I take with me when I go away, so, I'll make room in it for the 1103 and do some side by side testing with some other portables and antennas on the road. I wish I could join everyone in the praise about the 7600GR, but I have just not been that impressed with it since I have owned it. I have a Tecsun PL230, that is a whale of a portable, no sideband, but reception, features, convenience and the fun factor make it one of my favorites. Thanks again & have a great week.
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147. Re: [de1103] Re: New Guy Here

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-05 10:39:25 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 137 Message: 147

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----- Original Message -----
From: "xts4info" <xts4info@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 05, 2006 10:01 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: New Guy Here

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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Russ" <rsalsman23@...> wrote:
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> favorites. Thanks again & have a great week.

I bought mine primarily for use on camping trips on the motorbike. I usually
take my VHF/UHF HT which can receive FM and AM stations but it really needs
an external antenna for decent reception.

Leon
--
Leon Heller, G1HSM
leon.heller@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller
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148. Re: New Guy Here

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-06 04:51:02 UTC
From: wgnam720
Topic: 137 Message: 148

The Sony 2010 is a better radio for use with antennas and accessaries. It can handle bigger signals without overloading. Buthe the Degen/Kaito 1103 is a better "out of the box" radio. You get great performance the moment you fire it up. The 1103 is more suseptable to overload with big external antennas.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "xts4info" <xts4info@...> wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "lucysbranch" <lucysbranch@> wrote:
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> > Ron
> >
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149. Kchibo

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-06 06:21:50 UTC
From: kitkatjt
Topic: 149 Message: 149

We all love the 1103 it is fantastic but I wanted to tell you about another shortwave the Kchibo KK-216. It was bought on Ebay for twenty dollars. First you can look at their website on the net the factory and number of workers was food for thought. The radio covers AM FM and all 20 bands. It is very well made and runs on two d cells. I have tested against the yb 300 and it recieves weak stations better then the yb 300 and it has a 3 inch speaker that really sounds good.Look I thought 20 bucks for twenty bands it was worth the gamble.The radio gets a A for fun, reception and sound.The 1103 is the king but this one belongs in the court.

150. Re: New Guy Here

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-06 11:11:54 UTC
From: xts4info
Topic: 137 Message: 150

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "wgnam720" <susys57@...> wrote:

I do like a 2010, but the used ones on E-Bay are going for about 350 bucks and I wouldn't pay that much for one of them. When I want to tune up a big receiver I turn to my old Drake or Kenwood and then I dont worry about any kind of overload or anticipate any problems like that. I also use a DX-396 with some filter modifications that does a fine job on all bands. Portables are portables and they are subject to overload with larger antenna, but, if you do utilize a larger antenna at home, I use an MFJ-959B Tuner/Preamp in the line and then I can manipulate the signal to surpress overload, but still beat the signal off the whip if Dx conditions are bad around here, especially in the summer. I'm just a radio nut, and I can't help it. I've been Dxing since my father first showed me how to tune a Hallicrater SX-100 when I was a kid, and I'm 58 now so I guess I'll never change. Have great week. (I know I will when the new 1103 arrives).

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> > I dont blame you for not wanting to part with the 2010, I would like
> > to own one myself. I feel the same way about my DX-391. It's still my
> > favorite and I have bought a lot of receivers since that one. I am
> > going to go ahead and place the order for the 1103. It's to tempting
> > not to at that price for having sideband operation. Thanks alot.
> >
> > > I own a Sony 2010 and a Kaito KA 1103. I will NEVER part with my

> > 2010,
> > > but, the 1103 is an amazing radio. Get one! You will love it.
> > >
> > > Ron
> > >
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151. OT: for Tao Qu

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-08 03:16:46 UTC
From: Dennis Ls M Cruz
Topic: 151 Message: 151

8 March 2006

Hello Tao Qu!

My name is Dennis Ls. M. Cruz and a member of this and many other radio eGroups. I'm currently here in Hong Kong and would like to get in touch with you in the hope of purchasing some Tecsun & Degen Radio and Antennas.

Please call me at my Hong Kong mobile number : (852) 9888-2947 or email me at stclaire5000 at yahoo dot com

Thank you very much and apologies to all members for this off-topic message.

Dennis Ls. M. Cruz
DV7-BKO the Philippines

152. New Kaito 1103 owner

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-08 14:01:07 UTC
From: dxgnome
Topic: 152 Message: 152

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Questions:

How many others here are aware of this problem?

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Any comments?

153. Re: New Kaito 1103 owner

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-08 15:15:49 UTC
From: hemm751
Topic: 152 Message: 153

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Bill

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154. Re: New Kaito 1103 owner

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-08 17:47:36 UTC
From: stelug
Topic: 152 Message: 154

-My be I am wrong but in an article about kiwa modd there where explanation on a bunch of De1103 comed out with wrong resistors. If someone can gave you a lik may be helpes.

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155. R: [de1103] New Kaito 1103 owner

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-08 18:56:57 UTC
From: lidopasquesi@virgilio.it
Topic: 155 Message: 155

Hi, I read about your problem tha the solution was to change two resistors that in factory installed of the wrong value. If I remember they were on BF amplifier. The correct value was 1 kohm but the factory instead installed 2 kohm.
Lido
----Messaggio originale----
Da:
dxgnome@...
Data: 8-mar-2006 15.01
A: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Ogg: [de1103] New Kaito 1103 owner

156. KA/DE 1103 Audio Distortion Problem...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-08 19:42:08 UTC
From: dxgnome
Topic: 156 Message: 156

I contacted Kelly at Kaito USA, explained the issue, and he agreed to send me a new 1103 when they receive my current radio. He was unaware of the resister value issue, so I sent him an email with all links related links and file attachments to bring it to their attention. Also mentioned the ESD problem with the antenna and the mods offered by Kiwa.com http://www.kiwa.com/KA1103.html Hopefully they'll send the info along to the reps at manufacturing facilities and make future changes - maybe not, but it's worth a try. This is too good a product not to have these issues dealt with.

So, we'll see if the new radio, when it arrives, is any better. I would have no problem do the resister mod myself, but being it is so new, I would not want to void the warranty if another issue comes up.

Thanks for the replys. I let you know how it turns out.

157. Re: Best Battery Chargers

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-08 20:26:53 UTC
From: wgmartin999
Topic: 130 Message: 157

I posted the following over on the 2010 group and saw no
responses after a week. Since the battery-charger discussion
seems to be more lively here, I'm re-posting it over here
to solicit some responses. Any comments? -- Will

--- In icf2010@yahoogroups.com, Clyde Benson <clydebenson@...> wrote:
> BTW, the lady at Ansmann told me just how over
> the phone that ALL of my rechargeable batteries
> have to be recharged at least every 30 days, and
> no longer than 60. She says the NIMH's will go bad if that isn't done.
> I hadn't seen anyone on the list say that, but it is good to know
for sure.

But what about the fact that new batteries may sit on the shelf
or hang from the pegboard for a year or more before they are
touched and charged after you buy them? Those are not recharged
every 60 days -- are they "bad" when you get them initially? (Don't
they have to be charged to be tested when they are built and
initially packaged for sale?)

And what about radios, especially emergency crank-up models,
with built-in NiMH batteries? They may be charged once when the
manufacturer builds and tests the radio, and then sit in their
boxes for months or more until they're sold and begin to be used.
Are these "bad" from the start? And even after these are bought
and used a couple times, they then might sit untouched until the
next disaster or power outage, when the owner takes them down
and cranks them up. Are these built-in batteries "bad" by then?

If this is true, it means that the original BayGen FreePlay
design, with no built-in NiMH batteries and running entirely
on the spring-wound generator, was far better than the later
and current models in which the spring-wound generator charges
NiMH batteries, which then in turn power the radio/light/whatever.

Comments?

Will

158. Re: [de1103] Re: Best Battery Chargers

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-08 22:44:49 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 130 Message: 158

Hey there!

You have posed some excellent questions. I too am waiting for some
learned folk to answer them. :-)
Where is Joe An.....? He has the answers to everything having to
do with shortwave.

I'm thinking of buying a big 100 watt solar panel, or two soon. That
way when the power grid is blown out of existence, I will be able to
charge my batteries using electricity generated by solar energy, and
listen to whatever stations are still on the air.

CB

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159. Re: Best Battery Chargers

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-09 11:43:07 UTC
From: stelug
Topic: 130 Message: 159

I Just uploaded in files a pdf named EnergizerNIMHbattery-chargerMan . Is an official guide to maintaneance for nimih. Have a look an the if it is not worth delete.
ciao

160. Selling one of my KA1103's...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-10 13:25:18 UTC
From: jlochey
Topic: 160 Message: 160

Thanks! Selling it cheap!

See it here:
http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=5878495996&rd=1&sspagename=STRK%3AMESE%3AIT&rd=1

John

161. Re: New Kaito 1103 owner

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-10 20:23:54 UTC
From: wgnam720
Topic: 152 Message: 161

I've had my DE-1103 for 18 months now. I've also had the MW problem. Being visually impaired, I'm not even thinking about the mods, so I've just lived with it. The 1103 has much better MW (& all other bands) sensitity than radios costing much more, so I'll take that trade-off.

Pete.

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162. Re: New Kaito 1103 owner

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-10 21:44:18 UTC
From: dxgnome
Topic: 152 Message: 162

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163. Re: [de1103] Re: New Kaito 1103 owner

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-10 22:16:16 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 152 Message: 163

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----- Original Message -----
From: "dxgnome" <dxgnome@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, March 10, 2006 9:44 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: New Kaito 1103 owner

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Leon
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164. Re: New Kaito 1103 owner

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-11 01:19:09 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 152 Message: 164

Mine also sounds fine. Seemingly only those earlier units are
subjected to such problem.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@...> wrote:
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165. Re: New Kaito 1103 owner

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-11 01:41:08 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 152 Message: 165

As an after though if it occured only in the AM broadcast band (not the FM or other shortwave bands), can it be due to front end "overloading" ? -- Please remember the sensitivity of DE1103 is much better than most other radios. Why not try to pick up a distant/weak station or pickup the same station from different location(s) in the town and confirm if such problem(s) disappeared. Please let all of us know if this is the case.

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166. RE: [de1103] Re: New Guy Here

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-11 03:34:21 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 137 Message: 166

Aw the 1108, can't wait!

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Russ
Sent: Friday, March 03, 2006 3:14 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: New Guy Here

About a month ago, I replaced my older RadioShack/Sangeans with an ATS-
909. I researched every portable out there and decided that
1. the 7600GS was probably best, but
2. The 909 was pretty close and had a LOT more features.
Then I saw the hype over the DE1103, and really just didn't believe
it. A cheap little Chinese transistor could NOT be as good as the
Sangean or the Sony.
After a month with the 909, I was underwhelmed, to say the least. I
bought a DE1103 with the intent of testing them side by side. I could
tell the second I fired up the Degen that it blew the 909 away. I did
some random testing just to quantify it, but it really wasn't
necessary.
I sold the 909 the other day and got my 175 bucks back. I have a total
of $68 in the Degen.
So now I am waiting for the 1108...
Buy the De1103.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "xts4info" <xts4info@...> wrote:
>
> Just joined. I am seriously thinking of buying the 1103. I have a
nice
> collection of portables, and would like to add an 1103 to it. I just
> added the Eton E-10 a couple of weeks ago, and it's a pretty nice
> little receiver, but no sideband operation. I have the DX-398, The
> Grundig-YB 400 and the Sony 7600GR, and everyone says they are the
> top, but I have read many article that say the 1103 rivals them.
That
> is what i want to find out. Well, anyway, I look forward to reading
> the posts on the 11103, thanks for having me and I hope everyone
> enjoys great DX.
>

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167. DE31 antenna question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-10 22:59:31 UTC
From: ndhr23a
Topic: 167 Message: 167

I recently bought a DE1103 and am quite pleased with it's reception with the built-in whip antenna and the short-long wire antenna supplied. However, I can't seem to get much reception with the DE31 active antenna I bought with the DE1103. Ive tried the DE31 hung from my ceiling, in the attic, and ~12ft up a tree but the results are about the same. For reference I'm comparing signal strengths of the 10MHz WWV station where I get nearly full signal strength with the whip antenna but only about 1/3rd that with the DE31 and there is little difference noted using the adjusting knob on the DE31. There is a difference if the DE31 is turned on or off so I know it is doing something. Is this normal??

Also, the wire antenna supplied with the DE1103 has a 2 conductor phono plug but the DE31 has a 3 conductor stereo plug. Could this be part of the problem?

168. Re: New Kaito 1103 owner

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-11 01:32:33 UTC
From: dxgnome
Topic: 152 Message: 168

Maybe its just me being to picky. I forgot to ask in my earlier post
if anyone has been able compare their 1103 to the 1102 in regards to
the audio quality?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
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> Mine also sounds fine. Seemingly only those earlier units are
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> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: "dxgnome" <dxgnome@>
> > To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> > Sent: Friday, March 10, 2006 9:44 PM
> > Subject: [de1103] Re: New Kaito 1103 owner
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169. Re: New Kaito 1103 owner

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-11 00:57:15 UTC
From: dxgnome
Topic: 152 Message: 169

Hi Leon,

Yeah, mine basically sounds find too except for the AM. Others have said too that their's sound fine also. So, it appears to be just a batch of the radio's that exhibit the problem.

Question - have you done any of the mods to yours? Have you checked the resistor values of R223 and R224? I'd be interested in those of you who say your radios sound fine what those resistors are (Obviously don't go opening your radio's just to find out if you haven't already)

Paul

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170. Re: [de1103] Re: New Kaito 1103 owner

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-11 05:38:37 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 152 Message: 170

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----- Original Message -----
From: "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, March 11, 2006 1:41 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: New Kaito 1103 owner

> As an after though if it occured only in the AM broadcast band (not
> the FM or other shortwave bands), can it be due to front
> end "overloading" ? -- Please remember the sensitivity of DE1103 is
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> distant/weak station or pickup the same station from different
> location(s) in the town and confirm if such problem(s) disappeared.
> Please let all of us know if this is the case.

Just rotating the radio so that the ferrite rod picks up less signal should
have the same effect. I can't see it being due to overloading, though.

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171. Re: New Kaito 1103 owner

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-11 06:01:16 UTC
From: ashkii22
Topic: 152 Message: 171

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "dxgnome" <dxgnome@...> wrote:

> How many others here are aware of this problem?
>
> Does anyone know if this effects all the manufactured DE1103/KA1102s,
> or just an handful?

I was not aware of this problem, but I do not have a problem with any distortion on audio. Maybe it has to do with an install of incorrect resistors in a small batch of early radios.
I bought my Degen 1103 on ebay brand new and it came with a little slip of paper that has: DE1103, 05, 09, 15, (3) printed in blue. I assume this is the model number, date of maufacture (Sep. 15, 2005?) and revision number, but I do not read chinese so I don't know what they exactly mean. It seems that the batch that my radio comes from does not have any noticible problems, in fact I don't think there are any problems with it, although I have only had mine for less than a year.
I consider the de1103 a great buy for a small amount of money. Now waiting for the 1108.

172. Re: New Kaito 1103 owner

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-11 09:50:55 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 152 Message: 172

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173. KA31 Loop Sony 2010, and Degen1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-11 22:43:43 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 173 Message: 173

At 2145 Zulu I was listening to 11675 BBC on my Sony 2010

I have the KA31 plugged into it. The lights are pegged all the way to the top and holding steady. So I unplugged the KA31 and extended the whip antenna all the way up. Then I turned the radio back on to the same frequency.
To my amazement, I was getting from 0 to 4 red lights, and it was going up and down rapidly.

Nothing I did would improve that. I changed the direction of the radio, tuned slightly off freq either way.

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The signals immediately went all the way back up to the maximum. The station came in crystal clear without any noise at all.

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Peace
CB

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174. Re: New Kaito 1103 owner

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-12 19:48:55 UTC
From: wgnam720
Topic: 152 Message: 174

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175. RE: [de1103] Digest Number 41

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-12 21:57:45 UTC
From: Jay Policow
Topic: 175 Message: 175

Clyde,

It would appear your Sony 2010 is not working normally...the DE1103 is an awesome radio for the price (I own two of them) but it does not match the 2010's sensitivity.

Jay

Message: 1
Date: Sat, 11 Mar 2006 16:43:43 -0600
From: Clyde Benson <clydebenson@...>
Subject: KA31 Loop Sony 2010, and Degen1103

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176. NEW TO THE GROUP

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-12 20:57:29 UTC
From: pjcollradio
Topic: 176 Message: 176

Greetings, Purchased the DE1103 a little over a month ago and so far I feel that this is the best portable that I've ever owned. Previous portables I've owned include R/Shack dx360 & 390, plus a couple of Zenith transoceanics (G500 & H500). Can't realy compare the Zeniths to the 1103 as they are from a different era. The 1103 by far outperforms the dx360, the sensitivity is outstanding. Couldn't compare the dx 390 as I had dropped it on its head one to many times, it was my job site/shop radio. The 1103 with just the extended antenna does pretty good though not quite as well as my Yaesu frg100 with Endfedz antenna, 7 on the scale of 10. Will try the 1103 on an external antenna soon. Anyone have any sugestions concerning a moderatly priced external antenna that works well with the 1103?
Has anyone in this group heard anything about the DE1107 and how it compares to the 1103? Also looking forward to the release of the DE1108, whenever that might happen. Pleased to be a member of the group. P.J.Coll

177. RE: [de1103] Digest Number 41

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-12 22:44:05 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 175 Message: 177

What is it that I could expect to hear/see the Sony 2010 do that the
Degen 1103 doesn't do as well?

Maybe I'm not looking in the right places. :-)

At 03:57 PM 03/12/2006, you wrote:

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178. Re: New Kaito 1103 owner

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-13 00:05:52 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 152 Message: 178

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180. More on the DE1103 Audio Quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-13 01:33:38 UTC
From: gary_thorburn
Topic: 180 Message: 180

I'm the guy who posted the audio improvement mod related to fixing the apparently incorrect value resistors, R223 and R224. I've referred to this as the "KD1TE" mod, after my ham radio call sign. Since there have been some comments about 1103 audio quality in recent postings, I thought
I'd offer some more observations:

1) First, I wrote the file "audioMods-1103.txt" very carefully, please read it thoroughly once or twice before even considering the mod. If you are going to go to the trouble of checking for the incorrect resistor values and correcting this, spend $17 for the Kiwa audio mod parts and do that too. They provide good instructions for disassembling your 1103, and while you have the radio torn apart you might as well do all you can for its sound quality. Also, the KD1TE mod requires soldering to some capacitor leads which is more easily accomplished after the Kiwa mod is done. Remember that these mods should only be done if you are competent at fine soldering, and are willing to take some risk. I had to wear two pair of reading glasses simultaneously and use bright light to get the job done! These are not trivial mods.

2) I have only examined one 1103, so I have no idea how many radios have the incorrect resistors. Mine was purchased in November 2005, and a tiny square of paper in the packaging shows the date code "05 07 08", which is probably 8 July 2005. Some folks say their 1103 sounds fine. Perhaps these have the correct resistors, or maybe they do not, but the sound satisfies you. If so, enjoy your 1103 as it is! Often I find that radio fans have low expectations of MW and SW sound quality, particularly in an affordable portable.

3) Some posters have mentioned that the problem is only noticible on AM (MW). I agree, this is where it is worst. Here's why: The basic problem is that the incorrect resistors result in too high a level of audio input to the audio output chip (CXA1622P). R223 and R224 form part of a resistor network which reduces the audio signal level before it enters the CXA1622P. The higher, incorrect resistors result in more signal getting to the CXA1622P than the correct ones would. Whether or not this causes distortion depends on whether the resulting signal level exceeds what the CXA1622P can handle. I found that the FM signal level entering the CXA1622P is lower than the SW signal level, and the MW signal level is highest of all 3. So the distortion will be worst on MW (AM), while the FM generally sounds fine. I measured the signal levels at the "line out" jack on the 1103, which taps the signal BEFORE it goes to the CXA1622P. The MW signal is generally higher than FM or SW at this point. Incidentally, the line out jack will produce very nice FM Stereo recordings if

fed into a quality recorder, such as a good computer sound
card.

4) I found that the audio quality problem which the KD1TE mod corrects
could be most easily demonstrated by tuning to CHU or WWV, when
its signal is strong. Listen to the tone quality of the beeps. Then,
lower the antenna, or otherwise reduce the signal strength. I found
that the tone quality became more pure and musical at lower signal
strengths, presumably because it resulted in a lower audio level
entering the CXA1622P. If this were due to overloading somewhere
ahead of the audio circuits, the mod would not have made a difference.

Gary W Thorburn
KD1TE
12 March 2006.

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181. TG33 Active AM Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-13 02:31:39 UTC
From: Dennis Ls M Cruz
Topic: 181 Message: 181

March 13, 2006

Hello all!

I'm currently here in Hong Kong for a holiday till the end of the month & I'm taking advantage of this time by buying a few radio equipments and accessories.

I'm interested in the TG33 AM Active Antenna and also the DE31 SW Active Antenna but couln't find a good review on the TG33. Anyone here who's been using it can make some comments? Would really appreciate it.

Thanks in advance

Dennis
DV7-BKO (Philippines)

182. Re: DE31 antenna question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-13 02:53:30 UTC
From: ndhr23a
Topic: 167 Message: 182

As a follow-up, I took the DE31 antenna apart and found that the tuning diode is shorted. I also bought a DE33 which is also not working as I expected it to, so it's diode may also be shorted.

Does anyone know a good source of these diodes? Apparently Digikey doesn't have these 1SV149 dsiodes or anything like them (30pF@1V-540pF@8V).

Since the tuning voltage on the antenna control goes up to over 13V with alkaline batteries and these diodes have a 15V breakdown voltage, doesn't that seem too close for comfort?? Should I have been using rechargable batteries with lower voltages?

I would send these back to China but I suspect the shipping will be more than the cost of the diodes and I don't want to gamble with getting another bad one.

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183. Re: [de1103] More on the DE1103 Audio Quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-13 05:45:48 UTC
From: A. P.
Topic: 180 Message: 183

Gary

I would say that the distortion is not bad, therefore many users are satisfied with the audio quality. I can live with it for now, and will do the mod eventually. There is no doubt in my perception that there is distortion and that the sound quality does not match the Kaito 1102 it replaces (may it rest in peace). In fact, I have a $14 GPX brand radio/flashlight with built in solar and crank generator recharger (bought at a local Menards) which has better AM audio quality than my 1103.

While I have done a few repairs on home audio equipment, I havent done any soldering on smaller component circuits. So I appreciated your warning on attempting this type of work. I also have the option of returning the radio to Kaito USA for replacement. There seems to be no garantee that the replacement will be an improvement however.

Thanks for all your input. It is much appreciated.

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185. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-13 02:20:31 UTC
From: sneed_siding
Topic: 180 Message: 185

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-13 15:10:32 UTC
From: stelug
Topic: 180 Message: 186

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187. I Got It Today.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-14 02:07:16 UTC
From: xts4info
Topic: 187 Message: 187

I received my new 1103 today, via UPS. I also got the KA-31 active loop antenna with it, but have not opened it yet.
I have to say, you folks were right about the 1103. It's qiute a receiver for the price. I think the LCD analog display on the front is very cool and the row of buttons, 1-0 is innovative and unusual. Of course I like the bandwidth switch, and other than the volume being a little wacky, I like the ergonomics. Just last month I bought the Eton E-10, which is a very nice radio, with a lot of good features, so I plan on putting these two little beauties side by side and having a lot of fun. I want to thank everyone here for their input, and I am certainly glad I joined. Thanks again.

188. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-14 00:55:51 UTC
From: dxgnome
Topic: 180 Message: 188

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189. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-14 00:57:53 UTC
From: dxgnome
Topic: 180 Message: 189

Hi Scott,

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Paul

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190. Re: [de1103] Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-14 09:15:20 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 180 Message: 190

----- Original Message -----
From: "dxgnome" <dxgnome@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2006 12:55 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality

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Mine didn't have one, either. It is probably part of the bar-code on the box, although I can't decipher it. Mine is 6 927674211034, and I got the radio on Christmas Eve. It might make more sense to work off serial numbers - I'd guess that mine is 11034. Can anyone confirm this?

Leon

191. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-14 10:42:26 UTC
From: Fabrizio
Topic: 180 Message: 191

I received the DE1103 on 20th december and it was manufactured in july 2005 according to the small label in the box. it does not seem to suffer the audio distortion problem. In fact the sound from the ear buds jack is about the same as from the line out jack.

I mostly listen to the ham bands and so far I have heard hams from 135 DXCC countries.

Fabrizio - Rome

192. Re: [de1103] Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-14 14:00:07 UTC
From: John Greusel
Topic: 180 Message: 192

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193. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-14 15:20:55 UTC
From: stelug
Topic: 180 Message: 193

As said I cecked the audio of mine wich is from september (date on a very small label in the box, if you are not aware you can skip it). I must admit that my ears ar not so educated but I dont find any distorsion. Instead the sound seem much more sharp than the sound of the 1102 I have. This last it's absolutely dumb even if it has the bas function on fm.

194. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-14 17:32:10 UTC
From: sneed_siding
Topic: 180 Message: 194

Paul,

I used surface-mount resistors, so they are probably
less than 1/8 Watt. Since 1/8 Watt, 1kohm resistors
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-Scott-

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195. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-14 18:25:48 UTC
From: sneed_siding
Topic: 180 Message: 195

John,

That is the preferred method if you don't have access to good surface-mount soldering equipment.

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196. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-14 19:32:29 UTC
From: wgmartin999
Topic: 180 Message: 196

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Hoping for enlightenment, Will

197. RE: [de1103] Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-14 20:25:23 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 180 Message: 197

Hey Will, I have a Kaito1103 from sept 04 and no audio problems. Now I have just ordered from our good Friend Tao Qu a new DE1103(made this week). I hope this new one doesn't have any audio probs. I don't think that Kaito is exempt from anything that Degen puts out. Degen has a good name in China and want to keep it that way. Just my take on this, Josh

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of wgmartin999
Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2006 2:32 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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198. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-14 20:47:36 UTC
From: sneed_siding
Topic: 180 Message: 198

Will,

Mine is a Kaito purchased in the last two weeks. It had the "wrong" resistors before I replaced them. Personally, I don't think there's a manufacturing pattern here. I think the design was changed early on and that all DE/KA1103s now have the 2kohm resistors. Perhaps tolerances on IF filter alignment or AGC operation masks the problem on some receivers relative to others.

-Scott-

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199. Poll Created: Audio Distortion Issue

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-14 21:50:01 UTC
From: dxgnome
Topic: 199 Message: 199

I created a simple poll to attempt to learn how many users do or do not have this problem, along with a manufacture date range for those who do (though I suspect most wont know when their radio was manufactured).

Please take the time to cast your vote:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/polls

Regards, Paul

200. Re: Poll Created: Audio Distortion Issue

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-15 02:45:27 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 199 Message: 200

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> Regards, Paul

Well, I put my early unit ("04/05/03" or May 2004; purchased July 2004) down as "no distortion," although I have to switch DX/LO to LOcal for the MW band. Otherwise it does indeed overload all over the place (up to 4mHz in fact), here near a couple flamethrowers.

Stronger SSB signals will also sound distorted on occasion unless I engage LO.

201. 1103 FM Distortion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-15 21:52:40 UTC
From: ray_ksw
Topic: 201 Message: 201

Hi all,

I usually just read the forums but was stirred to post after reading about the distortion problems being had by some.

Let me start by saying the 1103 Degen is such a good performer on Shortwave that I wanted to make sure I had 2 after having the first one for about 3 months. Both came from Tao Qu on ebay. Only great things to say about him! He has conversed with me a few times with my concern over a distorted FM issue. The remedy was to return it, but I couldn't part with it lol.

I was really hoping the 2nd one I ordered (both black which he said were the newer runs) wouldn't have the distorted FM. Its the same. FM is understandable, but has a distorted sound at any volume, any setting, any jack. I never run mine above 20 volume anyways but am disapointed that the FM isn't as 'crystal clear' as the AM bands. This radio is so sweet for AM an SSB that I just had to get another. I didn't get it for FM anyways, an I have 20 other radios to turn to for FM lol.

If anyones thinking of purchasing this for Shortwave use I must say you won't be disappointed. Its amazing for its size and price. On a Par EF SWL Antenna it keeps right up with my Yaesu 7700 easily. Its just that good. Best portable in my book. Even on the whip its an awesome performer. Internal battery charger and control layout are iceing on the cake.

And its strange how I've really seen no other posts about an FM distortion problem from others. Everyone says its FM is great so... maybe its just me. I'm honestly just happy it has FM so that when I get the itch I can switch to it an its there. Beyond that issue its a perfect little radio with big performance.

Back to lurking. 73s all!
Ray

202. Re: 1103 FM Distortion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-15 22:19:33 UTC
From: sneed_siding
Topic: 201 Message: 202

FM on my KA1103 is sweet. No distortion at all. It does seem prone to some RF/IF overload though, and perhaps you are hearing that. If you lower the whip, does the distortion change?

-Scott-

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203. Re: Poll Created: Audio Distortion Issue

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-15 03:51:23 UTC
From: dxgnome
Topic: 199 Message: 203

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jeffkopp" <jeffkopp@...> wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "dxgnome" <dxgnome@> wrote:
> >
> > I created a simple poll to attempt to learn how many users do or do
> > not have this problem, along with a manufacture date range for those
> > who do (though I suspect most wont know when their radio was
> > manufactured).
> >
> > Please take the time to cast your vote:
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> > http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/polls
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> > Regards, Paul
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> engage LO.
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Thats cool. Someone else pointed out that theirs has distortion on strong and weak signals. So it has yet to be determined whether the symptom is a cause of radio signal input overloading , or the input level overload in the audio circuit. Though the later is more likely we have a couple of users who state that things improved when adjusting those resistance levels to 1K.

There is no argument that this is a very sensitive receiver. I must say I'm impressed at the level of SW signals I'm able to pull in, in addition to and over what the KA1102 could.

Looks like I should of added the rest of 2004 months for options in the poll - I wasn't sure when production started for the 1103. Anyway, my suspicion is that most or all of these radios have the 2K ohm resistors, and as Gary Thorton pointed out, some of us may be a bit more sensitive to the audio quality than others; stronger AM signals may emphasize the issue; and given the tolerances of the components themselves (more widely spec'd) some units just may exhibit the problem more than others. I expect the poll to show very few users think there is a problem.

204. Re: [de1103] 1103 FM Distortion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-16 02:25:47 UTC
From: k6yaz@aol.com
Topic: 201 Message: 204

My recently purchased 1103 sounds very clean on FM, even at a volume setting up to 35. When I use the line out connected to a computer audio amplifier, it sounds great.
I would suspect that your's has a problem. I use mine around the house quite often.

Stuart
Los Angeles, California

205. Re: New Kaito 1103 owner

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-16 05:19:08 UTC
From: kitkatjt
Topic: 152 Message: 205

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
>
> I wonder if the audio section of the DE1103 is bad, audio
distortions
> will shown up in all places(e.g. AM. FM, shortwaves)
indiscriminately.
> Yet in your case it showed up only in certain specific
> frequencies/stations. Any idea ?
> Nevertheless did you tuned other radio(including your car radio
when
> driving arround town) to these questionable stations and never
> encountered identical problem(s)? --- may be their broadcasting
> transmitter(s) or you reception location is "bad" to begin with !
> Can you give us more details and hope others can resolve this
mysteries.
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "wgnam720" <susys57@> wrote:
> >
> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@> wrote:
> > >
> > > Since both you and I never encountered any AM distortion
problem,
> > > little I can duplicate such overloading problems and try your
> > > suggestion. Nevertheless hope others can verify your
suggestion.
> > > More importantly we need to verify if the problem(s) is due to
> > > overloading in the first place otherwise any audio circuit
> > > modification will never resolve such defectiveness.
> > >
> > I'm pretty sure that my MW distortion problem is related to the
audio,
> > not the signal strength. I have no more distortion on my 1KW
station
> > at 3 blocks, than I do on a 50KW station at 70 miles. It also
seems
> > to happen on the weaker signals too.
> >
>My de 103 audio sounds GREAT on sw am and fm.

206. Re: TG33 Active AM Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-16 05:20:59 UTC
From: kitkatjt
Topic: 181 Message: 206

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Dennis Ls M Cruz" <stclaire5000@...>
wrote:
>
> March 13, 2006
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> Hello all!
>
> I'm currently here in Hong Kong for a holiday till the end of the
month
> & I'm taking advantage of this time by buying a few radio
equipments
> and accessories.
>
> I'm interested in the TG33 AM Active Antenna and also the DE31 SW
> Active Antenna but couln't find a good review on the TG33. Anyone
here
> who's been using it can make some comments? Would really appreciate
it.
>
> Thanks in advance
>
> Dennis
> DV7-BKO (Philippines)
>
The DE 31 works very well and is a great deal.

207. Re: Poll Created: Audio Distortion Issue

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-16 08:36:01 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 199 Message: 207

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "dxgnome" <dxgnome@...> wrote:
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> strong and weak signals. So it has yet to be determined whether the
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> level overload in the audio circuit. Though the later is more likely
> we have a couple of users who state that things improved when
> adjusting those resistance levels to 1K.

Yes, I posted that before reading those by the more technically capable who had confirmed by substitution that there was indeed a component value error in some runs, which I apparently missed by virtue of having an early one (the 2d ver, I think). Indeed, my unit may have the problem too, which I've been blithely working around by fiddling the lo/dx switch.

I noticed in the poll there are dates for units with distortion but only a single option for "no distortion," which is why I posted my mfg date in the msg.

Though my reception has improved since putting a crude balun (75/300) on 30' eaves longwire, I have so much RFI in my apartment (50' from the power lines, and my unit is also the building's service entrance) it is hard to evaluate the receiver properly. (I'm also two miles from a 50 and two 10KW BC stations.)

During a neighborhood power failure one night last month, I got my only chance yet to fully enjoy the thing. Regrettably there's no backyard in my forseeable future.

J.

208. Re: [de1103] Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-16 19:46:23 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 180 Message: 208

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209. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-16 20:32:39 UTC
From: dxgnome
Topic: 180 Message: 209

Hi Tao,

The reports seem to suggest that. People are finding values of 2K for R223/R224, there's a copy of the schematic in the files area that clearly shows the values should be 1K. Those who have corrected those values report an improvement. Did you read Gary T. explanation?:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/message/180

And did you have a chance to contact the engineer for his/her remarks?

Regards.

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210. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality - Response from 1103 designer

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-16 21:44:38 UTC
From: dxgnome
Topic: 210 Message: 210

Hi friend,

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Have a nice day!

Best Regards,
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Regards.
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Regards,
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211. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality - Response from 1103 designer

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-16 22:19:06 UTC
From: dxgnome
Topic: 210 Message: 211

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212. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality - Response from 1103 designer

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-17 01:52:10 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 210 Message: 212

In other words in case even if "extreme" strong broadcast signals failed overloading the frontend yet over driving(overloading) the AF amplifier is still remaining problematical. Again we should go back to square one.--- i.e. for most of us it is easier to cutdown (attenuating)the radio broadcasting signals at the "antenna" end rather than taking the radio apart--- modifying the AF circuitries --- to solve the problem(s). Any idea/suggestion ?

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213. Re: [de1103] Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality - Response from 1103 designer

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-17 05:07:09 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 210 Message: 213

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----- Original Message -----
From: "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2006 1:52 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality - Response from 1103
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AGC should deal with those signals. There would also be lots of interference
and spurious signals from them, which isn't happening.

Leon
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214. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality - Response from 1103 designer

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-17 08:35:15 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 210 Message: 214

Despite the DE1103's performance is much better than most receivers
of its class yet in the real world its AGC's dynamic "controling"
range is not really "Smart" and still leaving much to be desired. My
point is if those "not-so-strong" FM, shortwave broadcasts do not
cause any AF destortion problem, cutting down/attenuating
those "Very" strong AM broadcast signals feeding to the radio front
end should be quite straight forward and effective. --- even at the
expends of sacrificing the reception sensitivity to a certain
degree. Moreover most spurious signal interferences are caused by
the none linear radio front end overloadings too.
As a matter of fact almost all professional grade communication
receivers are not completely depending on its sophisticated AGC
circuitries to avoid such problem(s). They still provide independent
manual controls --- RF/IF attenuations/gain controls --- to prevent
RF overloadings. True ?

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215. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality - Response from 1103 designer

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-17 10:16:05 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 210 Message: 215

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
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> ... Moreover most spurious signal interferences are caused by
> the none linear radio front end overloadings too.

Well, I might know something shortly; I broke down and ordered a 3.5mHz filter from ICE Radio Products (via qth.net) (for $28+7), which seems reasonable due to my residence within 3 miles of 3 or 4 BCBs, and recalling all the whining I've made here about RFI.

I was tempted to go for the 500-1800kHz notch but looking at the graph decided I needed to really knock down the whole BCB, and out here there's just no LW to hear anyway. While I only suffer images up to 4mHz, the overloading may adversely affect performance further up where I am interested (i.e., swamping).

(I realize this $35 gizmo will not emulate the lovely RFI-free night due to power failure I enjoyed two months ago.)

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> receivers ... still provide independent manual controls --- RF/IF
attenuations/gain controls --- to prevent RF overloadings. True ?

Well, they did last time I worked around such. They put an HF xcvr on the bridge so they didn't have to rely on us patching something up from the shack, and the non-radiomen up there were using the RF gain as a volume control. I couldn't get the ET's to remove the knob, and the bridge gang wondered why they couldn't hear calls.

I notice the Lo/DX switch is inside of the RF stage both on the whip and ferrite bar, so folks suffering overload in those stages will need to resort to the ext ant jack.

J.

216. Re: [de1103] Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-17 13:51:09 UTC
From: John Greusel
Topic: 180 Message: 216

Hi Tao,

I would imagine that adding resistors and having an improvement in audio would be be pretty definitive proof. You could call it a refinement in design or an error in manufacturing but it's probably apparent now that this fix works.

John Greusel

On Mar 16, 2006, at 1:46 PM, Tao Qu wrote:

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217. Re: [de1103] Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality - Response from 1103 designer

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-17 13:58:03 UTC
From: Gary W Thorburn
Topic: 210 Message: 217

About the audio distortion issue.

I am fully convinced that the input to the CXA1622P was being overloaded in my DE1103. Please refer to my post on 13 March 2006, and my uploaded file, "audioMods-1103.txt" for information on how I came to that conclusion.

The suggestion by dxgnome, that perhaps some CXA1622P chips overload more easily than others is an interesting one. Or, it could be that some runs of the IF/Detector chip that feeds it produce a higher output than others. The acceptable tolerances for chips produced for inexpensive consumer goods may be quite loose.

My conclusion that R223/224 were the "wrong" value is based on the fact that the actual resistor values in my radio differ from that shown on a schematic of the DE1103 which appears on a Russian website, and that changing it to that value solved the overload problem in my case. Furthermore, it was clear to me from the schematic that reducing the value of that resistor would indeed reduce the signal level getting into the CXA1622P, so it made theoretical sense.

Let's remember that Degen is not obligated to build their radios to the specification of a pirated schematic on a Russian website. While I suspect the resistor substitution is an error, Degen may have had other reasons to change it.

Finally, others have commented on front-end overload problems, and FM distortion problems. My experience is with exactly one DE1103 and I have experenced none of those problems. Recordings made through the line-out jack of my DE1103 sound super. The line-out jack is taken after the Toshiba IF/Detector chip, but before the resistor network which involves R223/224, and is fed thru yet another stereo audio chip which exists only to amplify the the line-out jack. Frankly, its amazing that Degen would include the circuitry and jack for the line-out feature in such an affordable product. But I'm very grateful for it.

If there is interest in the audio quality at the line-out jack, I will place .mp3 recordings taken from this jack in the files area IF SOMEONE ASKS ME to do so.

Gary W Thorburn KD1TE

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218. Re: [de1103] Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-17 14:16:50 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 180 Message: 218

Hi John,

Please make sure the following (approx.):
R224 + R228 = 5K
R223 + R226 = 5K

Consider add the RC network around R226/R228 to improve the audio base quality?

- Tao Qu

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219. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-17 13:49:36 UTC
From: stelug
Topic: 180 Message: 219

Gulp!?!? Too difficoult for me, and hope some others, non techincal
neither orientend-educated elecronical minds. I wish at the end of
this interesenting tale one of the boss here can explain in few words
what to do in case of overloading
Retract the wip antenna
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Just teasing but, rearly a plain explanation is whelcome.

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-17 17:35:53 UTC
From: sneed_siding
Topic: 210 Message: 220

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-18 03:07:27 UTC
From: Margie Alford
Topic: 210 Message: 221

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-18 05:47:02 UTC
From: sneed_siding
Topic: 210 Message: 222

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Date: 2006-03-18 20:54:09 UTC
From: steve wilkins
Topic: 210 Message: 223

Hi,
I have owned a early 1103 that suffered from the tuning/volume knob problem, this was unit was kindly changed almost a year later by my dealer(Durham Radio) to a much later one a few months ago, I can say without any hesitation that the AM on MW is most definitely distorted compared to the older unit which had very clean sounding AM.

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rgds'Steve

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224. RE: [de1103] Re: DE31 antenna question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-19 02:33:14 UTC
From: Kenneth Lee
Topic: 167 Message: 224

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Sent: Sunday, March 12, 2006 9:54 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: DE31 antenna question

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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "ndhr23a" <eithne@...> wrote:
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> I recently bought a DE1103 and am quite pleased with it's reception
> with the built-in whip antenna and the short-long wire antenna
> supplied. However, I can't seem to get much reception with the DE31
> active antenna I bought with the DE1103. Ive tried the DE31 hung from
> my ceiling, in the attic, and ~12ft up a tree but the results are about
> the same. For reference I'm comparing signal strengths of the 10MHz WWV
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> but only about 1/3rd that with the DE31 and there is little
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> noted using the adjusting knob on the DE31. There is a difference
if
> the DE31 is turned on or off so I know it is doing something. Is
this
> normal??
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225. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality - Response from 1103 designer

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-19 14:20:20 UTC
From: stelug
Topic: 210 Message: 225

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1103 and go back to the two other I miss the extreem dip and rich of 11o3

226. De31/33

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-19 18:19:51 UTC
From: ppasteur
Topic: 226 Message: 226

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227. RE: [de1103] De31/33

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-20 00:33:06 UTC
From: Kenneth Lee
Topic: 226 Message: 227

When I first got my DE-31 it worked great, but after a couple of weeks it only worked intermediately. The connection to the loop (where the mini jack plugs into the bottom of the loop) was very loose and would not even hold the plug in place. I removed the four small screws and bent the springy tabs down so the connector now holds the plug snuggly in place and the antenna now works great. Actually I have to thank my wife for fixing this, I am blind and she did it for me.

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228. DE 1103 DE 31

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-20 07:30:26 UTC
From: kitkatjt
Topic: 228 Message: 228

After reading the many post about the problems with these products I wonder how many are real or something else. There are people who would not be satisfied with any radio or ant who enjoy net talking. There are others who enjoy altering radios and often regret the outcome of their toying around.These often make many returns to the radio shack for parts before they fix what they have already fixed.The outcome is often a flop. The DE 1103 is not made by the gods so with time new mods will hit the market.If the audio is so bad why are people buying these like crazy? The DE 1103 is a great radio at any price and gets an A+ from me.I like what I hear without toying around with mine. I will continue to read the mail about the DE audio threads but remember some may need a hearing aid to clear up their audio problems.Are their audio problems with some you may say yes but overall people seem to be satisfied.We need some new threads started about sw listening or hints about using the DE 1103. Are you tired about the audio rut threads I am.You might beware of some of the DE solutions offered on the net.

229. Audio on 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-20 17:24:01 UTC
From: wgmartin999
Topic: 229 Message: 229

I'm beginning to wonder if the audio distortion might be in the actual speaker itself in at least my 1103. I definitely hear a "roughness" or "fuzziness" of the sound in the 1103 that isn't there if I have the same signal coming in on another radio right next to it. For example, I have a Grundig Satellit 800 as my main bedside radio, and the 1103 hooked to its external power supply (so weak batteries can't be an issue) there too. I tune in the same station (FM, AM MW, or SW) on both, and vary the volumes on each so it is like a stereo signal and I'm moving the balance control. Even with the audio level fairly low (so I'm not overdriving the 1103's speaker), there is a definitely-more-distorted sound from the 1103. Of course, this is an "apples & oranges" comparison, with a much larger radio with a bigger speaker. I wouldn't expect the 1103 to sound as good as the 800 does.

If I plug decent headphones (Sony's) into the 1103, I get a much cleaner sound than listening on the speaker. (By the way, I also tried the headphones in the "line out" jack, and, while the audio level is pretty low, it is also a clean-sounding signal.)

Maybe we're expecting too much out of a small speaker in what is really a fairly low-cost radio? The 1103's RF performance makes it well worth while, even if the audio has problems.

73, Will

230. Re: DE 1103 DE 31

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-20 20:14:47 UTC
From: harle83
Topic: 228 Message: 230

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Date: 2006-03-20 21:26:12 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 228 Message: 231

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232. MFJ-16010 ANTENNA TUNER 160 THRU 10 METER ebay item #9701170283

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-20 23:16:04 UTC
From: ceceljoeh
Topic: 232 Message: 232

I recently listed this little guy on ebay if anyone is interested. it's clean as a pin. I've seen postings here about these. I have an 1103 and it works great with a long wire. The scuttlebut is that you can tune a screen door with one.

233. Re: Audio on 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-20 23:46:22 UTC
From: dxgnome
Topic: 229 Message: 233

The FM an SW are basically fine on mine, just the AM MW. At low and high audio levels, speaker or headphones, there is some distortion. And the are at least a couple of reports that doing the resistor change has corrected or improved the sound quality. So it's not the speaker. And Gary is right the sound quality (at least on our radios) is not as good as that of the KA1102.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "wgmartin999" <wgmartin999@...> wrote:
>
> I'm beginning to wonder if the audio distortion might
> be in the actual speaker itself in at least my 1103.
> I definitely hear a "roughness" or "fuzziness" of the
> sound in the 1103 that isn't there if I have the same
> signal coming in on another radio right next to it.
> For example, I have a Grundig Satellit 800 as my main
> bedside radio, and the 1103 hooked to its external
> power supply (so weak batteries can't be an issue) there
> too. I tune in the same station (FM, AM MW, or SW) on
> both, and vary the volumes on each so it is like a
> stereo signal and I'm moving the balance control. Even
> with the audio level fairly low (so I'm not overdriving
> the 1103's speaker), there is a definitely-more-distorted
> sound from the 1103. Of course, this is an "apples & oranges"
> comparison, with a much larger radio with a bigger speaker.
> I wouldn't expect the 1103 to sound as good as the 800 does.
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> If I plug decent headphones (Sony's) into the 1103, I get
> a much cleaner sound than listening on the speaker. (By the
> way, I also tried the headphones in the "line out" jack,
> and, while the audio level is pretty low, it is also a
> clean-sounding signal.)
>
> Maybe we're expecting too much out of a small speaker in
> what is really a fairly low-cost radio? The 1103's RF
> performance makes it well worth while, even if the audio
> has problems.
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> 73, Will
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234. Re: DE 1103 DE 31

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-21 00:29:28 UTC
From: sneed_siding
Topic: 228 Message: 234

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At least some DE1103s have been objectively observed to distort in their audio stages and a simple fix has proved effective. No one has proposed that you have to be unhappy with your radio. If you don't like the technical threads, then the best solution would be to start a new thread that interests you, rather than insult some of us as being deaf, complaining, inept, dissatisfied hackers.

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> me.I like what I hear without toying around with mine. I will continue
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236. RE: [de1103] Digest Number 49

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-21 02:07:17 UTC
From: ppasteur
Topic: 236 Message: 236

I got the TG31 working. I found what I thought might be a solder bridge on the loop board and fixed it. The antenna now is working. I don't have anything like it to compare it to, but it does definitely add signal strength to any signal that I have tried it on so far. I think I will purchase another for a friend who I gave a Sony 7600GR to play with.

As to the TG33. It works as well. I was trying to use it plugged directly into the AM antenna inputs on the three radios that I used it with. Apparently none of them actually take MW signal input from this jack.

After some kind advice by Mr. Tao Qu, I tried using the ferrite attachment to transfer the signal to the internal ferrite MW antenna on the radios. This worked as advertised. I will be running a comparison between the TG33 and my CCrane dual ferrite active antenna. It may be off topic for this list, but if anyone is interested please let me know and I can post the results.

Phil P.

From: "ppasteur" <ppasteur@...>
Subject: De31/33

I am wondering if they have had a bad run of these units.
I got a domestic version of the 31 and bought a 33 from China. After the good reviews of these units, I have been very disappointed. I have tried them on a Kaito 1103, a Sony 760GR an ICF-2010 and the ATS 909. It seems that they do not produce any better results than the internal antennas on any of the machines, actually they are worse. The CCrane dual ferrite MW antenna absolutely makes the 33 look like it is not even connected. Further, the tuning wheel on either of the antennas does nothing.

I have not pulled them apart yet, but I have to assume that my units have this shorted diode problem as well.

I saw a link to the schematics for the 31, but now seem to have lost is. Can anyone provide that link please.

Phil P.

As a follow-up, I took the DE31 antenna apart and found that the tuning diode is shorted. I also bought a DE33 which is also not working as I expected it to, so it's diode may also be shorted.

Does anyone know a good source of these diodes? Apparently Digikey doesn't have these 1SV149 dsiodes or anything like them (30pF@1V-540pF@8V).

Since the tuning voltage on the antenna control goes up to over 13V with alkaline batteries and these diodes have a 15V breakdown voltage, doesn't that seem too close for comfort?? Should I have been using rechargable batteries with lower voltages?

I would send these back to China but I suspect the shipping will be more than the cost of the diodes and I don't want to gamble with getting another bad one.

237. Re: Audio on 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-21 11:42:11 UTC
From: stelug
Topic: 229 Message: 237

To me the 1103 does not seems so distorted, but I have not as good ears like You all, and then cause I use the radio mostly for news and speaking programs, as soon I can undestand fine whats going on I am satisfied. Comparing with the 1102 yes, the second seems to have è better sound but its resemble more a digital thn an analogical sound (thats my personal impressions) 1103 is defintely wharmer and loud, and less tiering

238. Re: DE 1103 DE 31

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-21 21:37:22 UTC
From: Phil Pasteur
Topic: 228 Message: 238

I am afraid that I don't understand, though I have seen this go on with posters to lists concerning everything from telescopes to automobiles. People seem to take affront when anyone has a problem with one of their prized possessions and has the temerity to ask for help in fixing it.

I just joined this list recently, but I have read every message posted since the list was formed. Most all of the posts are highly complimentary of this radio. In the main I agree with all of the positives. I am quite happy that many, likely most, are happy with their radios. I am happy to have read all of the glowing reports. Indeed, this is why I bought mine.

That having been said, the sound on my unit through the speaker or headphones is pretty dreadful. This is not imagined, it is a fact. I am quite happy that I came here and found a discussion of the fact that "SOME" other people were experiencing the same problem, and to learn that there is a potential fix. Part of what most discussion lists are for is to sing the praise of some specified items so people know what is good. The other part is usually to help people work through problems that they may have with the same items.

This discussion about lousy sound quality has nothing to do with putting down the DE/KA1103 radios in general. No one has told people not to buy one, quite the opposite has happened actually. So I would suggest that all of the folks that are blessed with a radio that works properly be thankful for that, and that they show tolerance for those less fortunate. I did not ask to get a sub-par example of this otherwise fine little radio, I just happened to get one with a documented (though perhaps not well understood) problem.

This is not a contest between those that are satisfied and those that are having problems. The fact that your radio, and ten thousand others work perfectly is a great testimony to Degen, and it is laudable. The thing is that, all of those perfect radios don't help me a bit when I get one that has problems. I do not consider my asking for help, and in doing so reporting the facts as I see them in order to describe the issues, to be "complaining". Perhaps if everyone saw the discussion as a rational process of pursuing a fix to a very real (to me anyway) problem, it may not seem quite so inflammatory to them. This would hopefully allow them to save their emotional energy, and to allow others the freedom to seek help without having to defend themselves in the process.

I personally am going to order the KIWA mod kit and add the resistors, as listening to my KA1103 as it is now grates on my nerves and makes an otherwise great little radio pretty useless to me. The only way that I can listen at length to the radio is from the line output using some small amplified speakers. This way it sounds quite good, but it defeats the

purpose of having a highly portable radio.

If anyone thinks I am imagining the problem, or just spending (wasting) my time posting for no other reason than to "complain"...I will be happy to swap radios with them. Perhaps then they would not be so quick to criticize...

Phil P.

Message: 1
Date: Mon, 20 Mar 2006 20:14:47 -0000
From: "harle83" <harle83@...>
Subject: Re: DE 1103 DE 31

I could not agree with you more. My DE1103 is 2 years old and it's great. There is no hint of a problem with it and I have it hooked to a 30 ft piece of wire in my study with the computer monitor next to it. It works fine. I keep it on local to prevent possible overload that's it. I get great sound and reception on all bands. I get no interference from my computer. It's just a good sounding well built radio. I supect that those who have no problems are just keeping quiet so the complainers can complain about something. Nothing is perfect not my 1103, my E1XM or my NRD-535D, all of which I use daily. They are just good well built radio's. If the 1103 breaks, i'll buy another one. If the E1 or 535 break i'll cry and get them fixed. It's really that simple. If you have a 1103 that works well, lets hear from you. I to grow tried of the complaints. Let's sing songs and tell tales of the little radio that could and does! No offense intended, just my take on the situtation.
73,
K9HDT
Harry

239. Re: DE 1103 DE 31

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-22 00:54:25 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 228 Message: 239

Would like to know if the KIWA/resistors-modification fixed your
audio problem(s). Please keep us informed.

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240. Re: DE 1103 DE 31

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-22 02:37:10 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 228 Message: 240

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "kitkatjt" <kitkatjt@...> wrote:

> Are you tired about the audio rut threads I am.

We're trying to diagnose an apparent production run glitch. Those who are sufficiently capable and bold to modify their units (as hams are wont to do) are giving us useful info; many who wonder if their audio is below the quality others are enjoying will gain useful guidance whether to seek a warranty replacement or attempt a kit mod.

That's what a support group is for.

Also, a poster here seems to be with or close to the mfr, and is gaining valuable feedback on their mods and QC.

(One can no longer hot-rod a car--at least not the engine, if it requires a license--and it's been a decade since I dared take a soldering iron to a computer. If I wasn't wearing bad bifocals and the 1103 wasn't so tiny, I'd have been in there already.)

BTW I apologize for repeatedly suggesting people use their Lo/DX switch to overcome the distortion; while it will help in some situations, after reading Wilkins' post (who had both an early and recent version) I realize I'm probably not hearing the problem to the extent some are because I have an early unit myself.

P.S. ICE's model 400 BCB filter arrived a few days ago, but I haven't had a chance yet to do with/without comparisons to determine if those spurious signals I'm hearing are images or harmonics. (I live close enough to the stations that they might well be the latter.)

Regards,

Jeff

241. Re: Audio on 1103

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Date: 2006-03-22 03:07:41 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 229 Message: 241

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One thing to bear in mind when comparing the 1103 to other sets is, being intended for SW reception, it has a fairly narrow bandwidth. While the specified 6kHz in "wide" ("narrow" is 3kHz) should be sufficient for what US broadcasters are putting out these days (only 5kHz--it's a long story and has to something do with IBOC sidebands), it might be a bit narrower and sound a bit dull compared to a different set.

A while back someone mentioned the lack of brightness on MW on his 1103 and I recalled the old analog-radio trick of offset tuning slightly to get more of one sideband through. The 1103 is uncommon in tuning MW in 1kHz increments, so this makes it a rare modern radio one can do this on. I tried it, found it did crisp up a couple stations, and suggested he try tuning 2kHz high. He reported being pleased with the result.

242. Re: MFJ-16010 ANTENNA TUNER 160 THRU 10 METER ebay item #9701170283

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-22 03:15:14 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 232 Message: 242

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How much extra for the screen door? ;)

243. Re: Audio on 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-22 13:57:10 UTC
From: dxgnome
Topic: 229 Message: 243

Actually, the narrow setting is 4kHz, according to the user manual. This distortion issue has nothing to do with the bandwidth. The quality of the SW bands, for what it is, is very acceptable, better than the 1102 IMO. The is FM is very good, if not just a bit hollow thru the internal speaker. And the 1103 seems even a tad "brighter" than the 1102 on the "wide" setting - although without having them side by side, it's a judgement call from memory. My issue is with the clarity on AM MW only, the raspiness/coarseness in dialog, thru the internal speaker or ear-buds, that I never experienced with the 1102 (except on FM and very very low volume setting listening thru the ear-buds). It's not bad, but it's enough to irritate me.

In fact, it was based on the 1102's performance and size that, along with the majority of very positive reviews on the Degen/Kaito radios in general, led me to purchase another Kaito to replace my lost KA1102. I decided on "upgrading" to the 1103 strictly for the improvement on the SW band reception - and that has not disappointed. I did expect equal, or better, audio performance given it's slightly larger size, which has been mixed.

For the price, and for what it does, the 1103 is a nice little radio. It's not perfect, but no radio is, or will there ever be one. If I thought it fell short in value/performance, I would not hesitate to send it back and get something else (another Ka1102 perhaps). For now I can live with the AM MW issue. I'll probably end up doing the mods, but I like to exercise some patience and find out what others are experiencing. So far, there is at least a few users the confirm the audio distortion which can remedied by the mods that have been mentioned.

I've tried the off tuning to either side of a broadcast frequency, and always end up leaving it on the exact frequency.

FWIW,

Paul

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244. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality - Response from 1103 designer

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-23 08:38:47 UTC
From: kitkatjt
Topic: 210 Message: 244

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
>
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon Heller" leon.heller@ wrote:
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> > From: "knyuen88" knyuen88@
> > To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> > Sent: Friday, March 17, 2006 1:52 AM
> > Subject: [de1103] Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality - Response
> from 1103
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> > > In other words in case even if "extreme" strong broadcast signals
> > > failed overloading the frontend yet over driving(overloading) the
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> back
> > > to square one.--- i.e. for most of us it is easier to cutdown
> > > (attenuating)the radio broadcasting signals at the "antenna" end
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>I would like to hear the radios you all are writing about. I have two
DE 1103s that are perfect. I am reading and just entertained. [:-B]

245. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality - Response from 1103 designer

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-23 16:13:43 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 210 Message: 245

I never encountered any problem with my DE1103. Personally will rate the DE1103 be better than most "post world war 2" era communication receivers. (As a reminder: those receivers cost thousands dollars to build !) Yes, did encounter overloading from certain "Very-strong" stations. However succeeded to resolve the problem after switching the attentunation control to "local", shorten/remove the wire antenna ....or employing other "tricks". Nevertheless, what I am talking about are suggestions for others "extreme" cases so that people may trace(and solve) the cause of the Audio distortion problem (s). My suggestion for the future feature will be adding a station tuning speeds switch/knobs (e.g. Fast and slow rates --- coarse and fine tuning) It will be very helpful when searching stations in the shortwave bands.

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> > > ----- Original Message -----
> > > From: "knyuen88" knyuen88@

> > > To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> > > Sent: Friday, March 17, 2006 1:52 AM
> > > Subject: [de1103] Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality -
Response
> > from 1103
> > > designer
> > >
> > >
> > > > In other words in case even if "extreme" strong broadcast
signals
> > > > failed overloading the frontend yet over driving(overloading)
the
> > AF
> > > > amplifier is still remaining problematical. Again we should go
> > back
> > > > to square one.--- i.e. for most of us it is easier to cutdown
> > > > (attenuating)the radio broadcasting signals at the "antenna"
end
> > > > rather than taking the radio apart--- modifying the AF
> > circuitries ---
> > > > to solve the problem(s). Any idea/suggestion ?
> > >
> > > AGC should deal with those signals. There would also be lots of
> > interference
> > > and spurious signals from them, which isn't happening.
> > >
> > > Leon
> > >
> >I would like to hear the radios you all are writing about. I have
two
> DE 1103s that are perfect. I am reading and just entertained. [:-B]
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246. Re: DE31 antenna question - UPDATE

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-23 22:23:06 UTC
From: ndhr23a
Topic: 167 Message: 246

I contacted Tao Qu about the problems and he was quite helpful and willing to send me a new diode for no charge. However, when I removed the diode to verify it was bad, I determined that the problem was conductive residue on the circuit board and not the diode. After soaking and gently brushing the board with isopropyl alcohol the "short" was removed and after re-installing the diode, the DE31 now works great! My reception is substantially improved over the whip.

Tao Qu also informed me that I should be using the ferrite coupler for the TG33 antenna with the DE1103 and everything appears to work correctly now.

Thanks, Tao Qu for your customer support!

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> tuning diode is shorted. I also bought a DE33 which is also not
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> Does anyone know a good source of these diodes? Apparently Digikey
> doesn't have these 1SV149 dsiodes or anything like them (30pF@1V-
> 540pF@8V).
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> Since the tuning voltage on the antenna control goes up to over 13V
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> voltage, doesn't that seem too close for comfort?? Should I have
been
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> > normal??
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> phono
> > plug but the DE31 has a 3 conductor stereo plug. Could this be
part
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247. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality - Response from 1103 designer

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-24 02:19:34 UTC
From: ppasteur
Topic: 210 Message: 247

Kitkatjt,

I made an offer to swap with anyone interested in hearing what I am hearing when using my KA1103 on MW. I am sincere, but hardly amused!

My radio is pristine. It has maybe two hours of use on it. It is the silver model and has all of the original equipment including the English manual, wall charger, 4 NiMH batteries, carrying strap, velvet pouch and with full one year warranty. I even have the original box, packing list, and receipt.

I am willing to swap for one of yours that you feel works well. I can hear what you think is a good one sounds like, and you can hear one...that I judge to have the problem being discussed.

Perhaps then, you can tell me I am nuts...and that my radio is as good as it gets. Possibly I get to tell you that your radio has the same problem, but you just don't listen as critically as I do. Either way, we understand what the other is talking about. In any case, if you feel that I am just imagining all of this to have something to complain about, you can't go wrong. You get a brand new radio for one of your more heavily used ones.

Please write me directly if you really want to hear the MW audio defect first hand.

Phil P.

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248. RE: [de1103] Re: DE31 antenna question - UPDATE

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-24 07:20:06 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 167 Message: 248

Let me tell you all that I have dealt with three radio dealers from China, Mr. Tao Qu is the best there is! I just got my new 1103 from him today. I thought there might be a problem with the shuttle knob, tighter than my Kaito. I asked him and he replied that they have a new supplier (APLS) for that part. Good guy can't say enough good about him. Glad he could help you as well, Josh

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of ndhr23a
Sent: Thursday, March 23, 2006 5:23 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: DE31 antenna question - UPDATE

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249. Production Line Performance Test of 3 x DE1103 units

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-25 03:24:53 UTC
From: John
Topic: 249 Message: 249

Hi to group from John in Australia.
I have uploaded to Files an Official Performance Test Report made at Degen factory.
It's a Google translation from Chinese so needs a bit of working out when reading it.
I've had my radio more than a year and there is no evidence of any distortion .
I've owned a number of portable PLL multiband radios in past and can say for me the DE1103 is overall a better performing radio
My prior radios :- Sangean ATS 909 ATS 803A ATS 606A Sony ICF 7600GR .
Comparisons to my above radios made as stand alone using no external antennas .
Whats the point of having a Portable radio that can't perform well unless it needs external antenna --no lomger a Portable radio.
The only other multiband radio I have is the DE1107 analogue radio which is very close in performance to the DE1103. I have found that the DE1107 is slighty more sensitive on some SW bands compared to the DE1103 .
Regards John from "Downunder"

250. Audio Mods...They WORK !!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-26 02:24:43 UTC
From: ppasteur
Topic: 249 Message: 250

Hello All,

I got my kits from KIWA today. I purchased the audio mod kit and the diode protection for the telescoping antenna kit.

The audio kit consists of 7 capacitors. 6 capacitors are replaced and the seventh bypasses a large cap.

The diode protection is 4 diodes that claims to protect the radio from ESD, either from the operator, or if one uses an outside long wire antenna clipped to the whip.

Craig at KIWA also sent the some 2K Ohm 1/8 watt resistors to perform the KD1TE resistor mod. He did not even charge me for them...talk about service!!

The whole process took me about 3 hours. It is not that it is all that difficult, it is just that I was working very carefully and methodically. Someone with better skills and a higher confidence level could probably do it in an hour or so.

So what did I accomplish? The radio sounds like a completely different machine. All bands sound much better. Intelligibility has increased by an order of magnitude. All traces of distortion (at least up to the "20" volume setting) have vanished. I can now listen to the radio without it grating on my nerves. It is very pleasant to listen to, in fact.

It is not clear which audio mod cleared up the distortion, but based upon Gary's findings, the KIWA audio mod is not enough by itself. The KIWA mode clean up the audio quite a bit by changing the frequency response . Apparently better frequency response is not enough by itself. If the audio section is being over driven, one still gets the fuzzy, distorted sound. The KD1TE resistor mod reduces the drive level to the audio section input. This seems to be the key in eliminating the distortion.

Anyway, if a person has the skills, it is the best $17.00 they could spend on this radio. Even if they send it to KIWA and spend the $50.00 for them to do the mod, (they do both the capacitors and the resistor mod, if needed) I would think that it is still well worth it.

I have appreciated the little KA1103 for its price, features, and performance up to now. After the mod, I can actually enjoy listening to it on MW (which is where I do 70% of my listening)!!!

Phil P.

251. Re: DE31 antenna question - UPDATE

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-26 02:30:09 UTC
From: ppasteur
Topic: 167 Message: 251

I definitely afree wholeheartedly!!! When he saw my posts about having problems with the DE 31 and 33 active antennas, he sent me an email asking if he could help...and offering warranty replacement.

We worked out the problems with the antennas, one I fixed, (solder bridge), the other he pointed out the fact that the antenna input jack would not work for MW.

In any case, he apparently cares about he customers. I would deal with him again anytime!!

Phil P.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
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> that part. Good guy can't say enough good about him. Glad he could help you
> as well, Josh

253. Jog Dial

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-26 13:25:03 UTC
From: Thad Larson
Topic: 253 Message: 253

So far, I am happy to have bought the DE1103 (last year). I use it primarily for SW at night and listening to non-hurricane related broadcasts after a hurricane has passed. Since this is the only SW radio that I own, I can't compare it to anything else.

The jury is still out (for me) concerning the audio quality. The speaker sounds rather "chinky", but I blammed it on the small speaker size. I will probably run the two audio outputs (headphones / line out) to the computer input and amplify the sound from there.

Before I put my radio on the operating bench... I remember a lot of comments about a bad jog dial, but I never remember that anybody had a solution. I threw a bunch of electrical tape around the dial pot thinking that one of the two "bit wires" were grounding out on the shield. Now the problem is re-surfacing again after a two-month hiatus. Now it alternates between '0' and '1' as I turn the dial. Guessing that the dial works on a gray-scale type method.

Does anybody have a solution to the jog dial problem?

TIA,
Thad

254. Re: Jog Dial

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-26 16:55:02 UTC
From: ppasteur
Topic: 253 Message: 254

Thad,
Sorry I don't have anything for you on the jog wheel control problem.

A suggestion for auxilliary sound. I just had a pair of "CHEAP"...and I mean like $6.00 amplifies computer speakers around. I hooked them up to the line out and it actually sounded pretty good. I would imagine, if you had something similar, you could swap them between the headphone and line out jacks to compare the sound. If you adjust the volume level so the outputs are equal, it could be telling.

Better speakers may be more revealing. In my shack I have all of the radios plugged into an old receiver driving a couple of RS two way six inch speakers. You could use someting with a reciever...all you would need is a mini plug to two RCA plugs adapter.

Good luck with the jog wheel!

Phil P.

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> out) to the computer input and amplify the sound from there.
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> TIA,
> Thad
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255. Hand Strap ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-26 18:49:39 UTC
From: ppasteur
Topic: 255 Message: 255

For you folks that have had the DE/KA 1103 disassembled, is there a place inside the radio that the small loop part of the hand strap loops around inside the radio, or is simply the friction fit between it and the radio halves all that holds it in?

After I had reassembled the radio...working marvelously now !!!

I noticed I had not installed the hand strap. I did not pay attention to how it was installed when I took the radio apart... I am not convinced that I even need the hand strap, but would like to know how it should be installed anyway.

Any help would be appreciated greatly!!

Phil P.

256. Re: Jog Dial

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-26 21:09:22 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 253 Message: 256

Jog wheel is sorts of mechanical digital switches. It is not an expensive item. Like the tire of your car after it worn-out by long use the only resolution is replace it with a new one. Recently someone mentioned "ALPS" is the jog wheel supplier for the DE1103. Nevertheless why not ask Tao Qu. Believe he can help you out. Hope it helps.

--- In de1103@...m, "ppasteur" <ppasteur@...> wrote:
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257. Re: [de1103] Re: Jog Dial

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-26 21:15:59 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 253 Message: 257

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----- Original Message -----
From: "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 26, 2006 10:09 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Jog Dial

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>

I've got some ALPS encoders, there are quite a few different ones available.

Leon
--
Leon Heller, G1HSM
leon.heller@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller

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[This E-mail has been scanned for viruses but it is your responsibility
to maintain up to date anti virus software on the device that you are
currently using to read this email. ]
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258. Re: [de1103] Hand Strap ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-27 04:09:57 UTC
From: Don Butler
Topic: 255 Message: 258

Phil,

Yes, there is a post just inside the radio where the small loop on the hand strap fits over and then the radio is reassembled. Took mine apart to repair the whip and then replaced the hand strap and reassembled the radio.

OBTW.... I bought a pair of Yamaha computer speakers at one of my local goodwill stores and run them from the line out jack. Very impressive sound! The Yamaha's are model YST-M10 and they rate them at +/- 3 DB from 85 to 20k so pretty good response for a small speaker system.

Had my radio for about a year and a half now and no problems with it except for me. I broke the back stand off very early on but don't really miss it now. ;o)

73's
Don
KC7ZG

Don and Carol Butler
"He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust." (Ps. 91:2b)
Writings of Luther - http://www.intergate.com/~yakimadon/Luther2/index.html
Redeemer - Yakima. WA. - http://www.intergate.com/~yakimadon
email mailto:yakimadon@...
----- Original Message -----
From: "ppasteur" <ppasteur@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 26, 2006 10:49 AM
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Phil P.

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259. Re: [de1103] Re: Jog Dial

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-28 03:19:16 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 253 Message: 259

Yes, knyuen88 is correct! -:)

But please pay more attention the jog wheel on old version and new version are fully different, and the pcb are not same, so can not cross replace directly!

I am not sure if has many friends here has the problem on jog whell, whip antenna and the rear support stand?

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260. Re: Reception report

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-30 06:36:09 UTC
From: kitkatjt
Topic: 131 Message: 260

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Clyde Benson <clydebenson@...> wrote:
>
> ImHotep Amigi miei,
>
> Well,
>
> I got my first Sony 2010, SN 91400, that I bought on Ebay for
$265.00
> last December out of the repair shop today. it stopped working
about
> a week after I received it. I was plenty mad about that.
>
> Anyway Joe, my local small town electronics repair guy, took five
> weeks to repair it, but he only charged me $33.00. He said the
reason
> it suddenly went dead was that something in the battery compartment
> was not making a good connection. So he wired a jumper to take care
> of that. He also installed several other things. He said the FET
> transistor was OK, and he didn't need to replace it.
>
> So I got it home expecting the worst. I turned the radio on at
1830
> Zulu. I tuned into 21470 VOA. The station was hearable, but none of
> the lights lit up. I carefully tuned the Kaito 31 until I was able
to
> get one 1red dot on the 2010 to light up.
>
> Then I took it into the bedroom and hooked it up to the long wire
> running from my bedroom to the back porch. I guess it is about 50
or
> sixty feet in length.
>
> To my amazement, 8 red dots lit up. The station came in loud and
> clear. I was astounded at the difference. The random wire blew the
> Kaito 31 away on the Sony 2010.
>
> Then I hooked the wire up to the antenna of the Sony. The dots
> dropped back to about 3 It was still listenable, and stronger than
> the Kaito, but much weaker than when plugged into the AM antenna
jack.
>
> So since the Degen 1103 works very well on the Kaito31, I will
> continue using it in the living room and leave the Sony 2010 hooked
> up to the long wire that I was using for the Grundig Yachtboy 400
PE.

>
> I will put the Grundig in the bathroom so that I will have
something
> to listen to when I'm bathing. Since I only do that once a decade,
> the radio will probably rust sitting there. :-)
>
> I'm one happy camper today. Now if I can only get the second Sony
> 2010 working. It looks to me more of a challenge than the first one.
>
> Anyway, I thought some here might find my tests interesting.
>
It was nice reaDING YOUR REPORT. i SEEM TO GET THE REVERSE THE WIRE
NEVER IS AS GOOD A PERFORMER AS THE 31 WITH ANY OF MY Radios.It does
come close but the audio quality is never up to the little 31.

261. Distortion Problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-30 06:44:13 UTC
From: kitkatjt
Topic: 261 Message: 261

We have a local station on 850 am that sounds messed up distorted with any radio.Have you ever had a problem like that with a local station????

262. Re: [de1103] Distortion Problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-30 07:16:35 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 261 Message: 262

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----- Original Message -----
From: "kitkatjt" <kitkatjt@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2006 7:44 AM
Subject: [de1103] Distortion Problem

> We have a local station on 850 am that sounds messed up distorted with
> any radio.Have you ever had a problem like that with a local station????

You might be too close, and the signal is overloading the radio. Rotating
the radio so that less signal is picked up by the internal ferrite rod
antenna might help.

Leon
--
Leon Heller, G1HSM
leon.heller@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller

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263. FM Reception?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-30 17:56:12 UTC
From: jlochey
Topic: 263 Message: 263

Group,

I am curious.

I love my 1103 and was wondering how it compares to other radios for FM reception?

I like to do a bit of FM DX'ing, very low key, nothing serious.

But of all the "portable" solutions out there for FM reception, has anyone found anything better then the 1103?

Thanks,

John
KC8JDI
Michigan

264. Re: [de1103] FM Reception?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-30 18:14:17 UTC
From: k6yaz@aol.com
Topic: 263 Message: 264

I've found the FM reception to be outstanding. Both the selectivity (a very crowded band in Los Angeles) and sensitivity are exceptional. When I use the line output into a good amplifier and speakers, you would think it's a component tuner.

Stuart

265. Re: [de1103] Re: Reception report

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-31 05:48:26 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 131 Message: 265

Daba Zeta,

Well, you are probably right. The KA31 is definitely much quieter
than my 50 to 75 foot random wire. The more I switch between the two,
the more I notice that.

I'm very content with my 1103 in all aspects. I will not be buying
any more radios. Wellll, when the Degen 1108 comes out, I will
probably line up for that one. :-) Especially if I can buy it on Ebay again.
How do people get one cheaply if they aren't members of Ebay, but
want to buy at Chinese prices?

Peace

At 12:36 AM 03/30/2006, you wrote:

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> all of us here. I was plenty mad about that.

266. Distortion Problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-31 11:45:33 UTC
From: Jay
Topic: 261 Message: 266

You may be in a spot where phase cancellation of a direct and a reflected signal is causing the distortion, or you may be in a bad spot of a directional station. I work for a directional AM station, and as I drive the local area there is one spot where the signal is all distorted and garbled for several seconds all the time...it sounds phased out.

Jay

Message: 2
Date: Thu, 30 Mar 2006 06:44:13 -0000
From: "kitkatjt"
Subject: Distortion Problem

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any radio.Have you ever had a problem like that with a local station????

267. Re: Reception report

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-31 14:58:36 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 131 Message: 267

Hope it helps.

1. Buy one over the store counter in China directly (No sale tax !)

2. Contact "Tecsun Electronic Industrial Ltd." Hong Kong office.
Address□FUnit 11,13/F,Block A,Hoi Luen Industrial Centre,
55 Hoi Yuen Road,Kwun Tong,Kowloon,Hong Kong.
(Tel)□F(852) 2895 1586
(Fax)□F(852) 2890 5617
Email□F tecsun@...

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Clyde Benson <clydebenson@...> wrote:
>
> I'm very content with my 1103 in all aspects. I will not be buying
> any more radios. Wellll, when the Degen 1108 comes out, I will
> probably line up for that one. :-) Especially if I can buy it on
Ebay again.
> How do people get one cheaply if they aren't members of Ebay, but
> want to buy at Chinese prices?
>
> Peace

268. Kaito-1103 stock supp;y

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-03-31 21:35:21 UTC
From: John Gordy
Topic: 268 Message: 268

After waiting for several weeks for shipment of my 1103 due to an out of stock situation, today I learned from Steve at Universal-Radio that Kaito was also out of stock and could provide him with no information concerning when they might receive a shipment.

Perhaps they are resolving the audio problems.

John/WA4GNR

269. Re: Kaito-1103 stock supp;y

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-01 01:53:49 UTC
From: kitkatjt
Topic: 268 Message: 269

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> John/WA4GNR
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Check with Lypin on a DE 1103 on ebay.It has the updated corrected
audio.You can save a bunch of money too. I have bought two from him and
they are the latest ons that sound great. He stands behind his radios
and has 100 on feedback.I can not see buying a radio here that you can
get for alot less that comes with a war. also.

270. RE: [de1103] Digest Number 60

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-02 13:17:53 UTC
From: Jay Policow
Topic: 270 Message: 270

Folks,

I agree totally in buying stuff form Liypn. It's always the very latest production and prices are about half what the imported versions cost. However, you must be aware that your warranty is less valuable as shipping to and from China often exceeds the cost of the unit. So, in effect, you are providing your own warranty based on your initial savings. If it costs, say $15 to ship an 1103, it will cost you that much to return it for replacement.

I think this trade off is well worth it...I have purchased over 20 radios from Liypn. The one bad one I received, though, I just kept as a parts radio...it wasn't worth sending it back.

Jay

John

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271. Degen Forum

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-03 03:18:59 UTC
From: kitkatjt
Topic: 271 Message: 271

If you go to Google translate you can pick simple Chinese and type Degen and enjoy their forum in English.There are many pages that have info on the 1103 and related Degen radios.

272. DE1103 SSB Trouble

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-03 01:14:19 UTC
From: Joe Neumayr
Topic: 272 Message: 272

Hello

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273. DE1103 SSB

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-03 04:43:15 UTC
From: joe_bloweli
Topic: 273 Message: 273

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274. Re: [de1103] DE1103 SSB

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-03 06:27:08 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 273 Message: 274

----- Original Message -----
From: "joe_bloweli" <jneumayr@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, April 03, 2006 5:43 AM
Subject: [de1103] DE1103 SSB

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> working. Thanks for the help in advance

It sounds like the carrier insertion oscillator isn't working, probably a
duff solder joint. I'd contact the supplier.

Leon
--
Leon Heller, G1HSM
leon.heller@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller

275. RE: [de1103] DE1103 SSB Trouble

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-03 12:38:02 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 272 Message: 275

I would send it back. That isn't normal.

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Joe Neumayr
Sent: Sunday, April 02, 2006 9:14 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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276. Re: DE1103 SSB Trouble

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-03 15:46:17 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 272 Message: 276

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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
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277. Re: DE1103 SSB Trouble

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-04 01:56:19 UTC
From: harle83
Topic: 272 Message: 277

I now own a E5 and I have noticed this same problem with mine. THe SSB reception is very low volume compared to my E5. I have had my 1103 for almost 2 years and this is the first time I have noticed any sort of problem with it. Does anyone else notice a difference in SSB reception.
73,
K9HDT Harry
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278. Re: DE1103 SSB Trouble

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-04 01:02:15 UTC
From: joe_bloweli
Topic: 272 Message: 278

knyuen88, Leon and Joshua;

Thanks for the feedback.

After work, I messed around with the SSB function of the DE1103. I tried tuning up and down the AM Broadcast band with the SSB button on. I could here stations very faint and muted in the background as I tuned. I also tuned strong SSB stations in on my R-5000 and could not get the SSB to work on the DE1103. The SSB stations were mute and in the background with the fine tune having no impact.

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279. Re: DE1103 SSB Trouble

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-04 10:34:25 UTC
From: leon_heller
Topic: 272 Message: 279

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "joe_bloweli" <jneumayr@...> wrote:
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If you set it for AM and tune to a frequency where there is no signal, and switch to SSB, the noise should sound markedly different if the CIO and/or product detector are working properly.

73, Leon

280. What should you here on SSB

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-04 10:48:23 UTC
From: otistessbrittany
Topic: 280 Message: 280

Hi Everyone,
I am new to SSB and am wondering what I should here exactly? I want to be sure that my ka 1103 is working properly also.

281. Re: DE1103 SSB Trouble

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-04 16:50:52 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 272 Message: 281

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "joe_bloweli" <jneumayr@...> wrote:
>
> knyuen88, Leon and Joshua;
Sounded like in the SSB mode the DE1103 automatically switched to
the "Mute" mode. If this is the case "Reset" it to the "default"
settings should work (in theory !)--- yet you already tried
nevertheless -- may be you can try a last "trick" before sending it
out. Remove the batteries from the radio. Hopefully those
internal "Very" high value memory storage capacitor(s) will be
discharged completely overnight(s)and clear all previous mess
of "wrong reset"s in the microprocessor's memories. Put them back
and see if it did really "reset" days afterwards. I did
such "reprogramming" for my Toyota (Not DE1103 though!) to reset
my "Check-engine warning light" and works ! Good luck !

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282. Re: [de1103] What should you here on SSB

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-04 18:12:10 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 280 Message: 282

----- Original Message -----
From: "otistessbrittany" <greg.c@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 04, 2006 11:48 AM
Subject: [de1103] What should you here on SSB

> Hi Everyone,
> I am new to SSB and am wondering what I should here exactly? I want to
> be sure that my ka 1103 is working properly also.

Tune around 7000-7300 MHz and you should hear plenty of amateur CW (Morse) and SSB (single-sideband) signals. You need to select SSB and fine tune the signal with the vertical pot on the side of the radio. SSB is transmitted with a suppressed carrier, and the receiver has to insert the carrier using a local oscillator to make the signal intelligible - the frequency of the local oscillator is controlled by the aforementioned pot. It takes a bit of practise to get SSB tuned in correctly. Try Googling for SSB and you should find plenty of inforation on how it works. Amateurs use lower sideband below 10 MHz and upper sideband above 10 MHz. Military transmissions use upper sideband exclusively.

73, Leon

283. Re: Re: [de1103] What should you here on SSB

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-04 21:31:31 UTC
From: greg.c@cox.net
Topic: 280 Message: 283
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Thanks.
I will give that a try and see how it goes.
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> From: "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@...>
> Date: 2006/04/04 Tue PM 02:12:10 EDT
> To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> Subject: Re: [de1103] What should you here on SSB
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284. RE: SPAM: [de1103] Digest Number 63

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-05 02:42:11 UTC
From: ppasteur
Topic: 284 Message: 284

I notice a significant difference in the audio level between AM and SSB on my KA1103. I do have to remember to turn the volume down when switching to AM from SSB, no doubt!

This is a pain, but not a deal killer for me. I can use SSB just fine, and hear most of the same signals that I get on my Drake R8B, with a 70 foot trapped sloper connected to it.

It sounds like the audio level difference may be typical of this radio...

Anyone else ???

Please!
On the other hand, if SSB does not work at all, it would seem to me that, a person would do well to replace it under warranty if at all possible!!

Phil P.

Date: Tue, 04 Apr 2006 01:56:19 -0000
From: "harle83" <harle83@...>
Subject: Re: DE1103 SSB Trouble

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reception is very low volume compared to my E5. I have had my 1103 for almost 2 years and this is the first time I have noticed any sort of problem with it. Does anyone else notice a difference in SSB reception.
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K9HDT Harry

285. Re: SPAM: [de1103] Digest Number 63

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-05 08:14:25 UTC
From: leon_heller
Topic: 284 Message: 285

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I don't get any noticeable difference between the AM and SSB audio
levels on mine, I keep it on the same volume setting.

Leon

286. Re: [de1103] Digest Number 64

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-05 21:20:07 UTC
From: Don Boyd
Topic: 286 Message: 286

I don't use SSB very much but don't remember there being a drastic difference in volume.

Don

287. How do you know when you have locked onto a signal in SSB.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-06 10:08:28 UTC
From: otistessbrittany
Topic: 287 Message: 287

I was trying my ssb last night and only found tones. When I tried to use my fine tuning knob. It just changed the pitch of the tone. How do I know when I am on an SSB signal?

288. rds gizmo for 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-06 09:49:18 UTC
From: stelug
Topic: 288 Message: 288

Hallo all, I found an interesting little circuit that can be added to our radio and decodes Rds signals. With this I believe degen becomes the best bargain of the world. The items costs about 35 Usd mounted, or 25 if coosing the do your-self option. Cause of my absolute ignoranze in electronics I went via the most expensive way, but don't regret. I had to solder only two cables cable for an external battery and dropped a jack in the outline of the 1003 and could immediatlet read names of station, telephone numbers and others info shared from RDs broadcasting om the aditional screen pof the gitzmo. Nice thing. Ill' try to upload some files about and may be some more experts can build it by themselves. Anyway I have no relation wit the peoples sellig it. Just to share my experience. And yes this things, may be tw and a half inches for less thn one, comes without any box so you must built it by yoursel: this my next duty.
Clicking to the download link opens a parent directory with full tecnical info

http://www.micromed.it/cgi-newstore/commerce.cgi

289. Re: [de1103] How do you know when you have locked onto a signal in SSB.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-06 10:51:33 UTC
From: Lido
Topic: 287 Message: 289

You would have to hear quite clerly the voice. On 1103 is not so easy, before you must tune the signal and then move slowly the fine tuning (or better the BFO knob) to center exactly the signal. If you can't you must again the tuning knob of a step up or down and then move again the fine tuning.
The first time is not easy but after some trying you'll learn.
73 Lido
----- Original Message -----
From: otistessbrittany
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, April 06, 2006 12:08 PM
Subject: [de1103] How do you know when you have locked onto a signal in SSB.

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290. Re: [de1103] How do you know when you have locked onto a signal in SSB.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-06 11:59:14 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 287 Message: 290

----- Original Message -----
From: "otistessbrittany" <greg.c@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 06, 2006 11:08 AM
Subject: [de1103] How do you know when you have locked onto a signal in SSB.

>I was trying my ssb last night and only found tones. When I tried to
> use my fine tuning knob. It just changed the pitch of the tone. How do
> I know when I am on an SSB signal?

First off, make sure that you are tuned to the correct frequencies. Radio amateurs have voluntary 'band plans' which mean that SSB operation generally takes place on specific frequency ranges. Here is a typical band plan:

http://www.r-clarke.org.uk/ukbandplan.htm

You will see that 7.040 MHz to 7.200 MHz is intended for phone (SSB) and CW (Morse). If you tune between those frequencies with SSB selcted you should hear both SSB and CW signals, if the conditions are good. SSB is unintelligible until it is tuned in correctly - just find something that sounds like garbled speech, tune it for maximum signal and then slowly tune the BFO until it becomes intelligible. It just takes some practise. Quite often, even though two stations are communicating, you will only hear one of them; amateurs often use directional antennas so the station you can't hear is is probably putting out a very weak signal in your direction.

If you hear a whistle with speech or music, you are tuned into an AM broadcast station. They share some bands with radio amateurs.

Leon
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Leon Heller, G1HSM
leon.heller@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller

291. Re: How do you know when you have locked onto a signal in SSB.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-06 13:14:04 UTC
From: otistessbrittany
Topic: 287 Message: 291

Thanks. That helps a lot. I did not know what I was even looking for.

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292. Trick Tune below 100KHZ Ifyou want to

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-07 02:04:10 UTC
From: kitkatjt
Topic: 292 Message: 292

You will be able to switch off ferrite bar ant. and use the wip or external.

Put in 21951 khz press am +
Press am fm together and start searching downward to below 100 khz
Once you are below 100 stop the scan and store the freqency then pull it back up from the memory bank and turn off the radio.When you turn the radio on start turning the dial.You will be on the wip.You can check your progress by placing your hand on the ant.I like to go down towards the am stations.By using the wip or external you should be able to hear many more stations.

293. RE: [de1103] Trick Tune below 100KHZ Ifyou want to

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-07 02:16:26 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 292 Message: 293

Oh yes, you can go down to 000 and save it. Start from there. I have had my Kaito this way for some time. There is the 30.000 easter egg too.

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From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of kitkatjt
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294. RE: [de1103] Trick Tune below 100KHZ Ifyou want to

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-07 02:23:35 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 292 Message: 294

Also you need to lower the whip and unhook ext antenna. Set the dx switch to local.

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Joshua Everett
Sent: Thursday, April 06, 2006 10:16 PM
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295. Re: [de1103] Trick Tune below 100KHZ Ifyou want to

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-07 03:51:40 UTC
From: Nick Queen
Topic: 292 Message: 295

What sort of stations or utilities are in that range?

Joshua Everett wrote:

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296. Re: [de1103] Trick Tune below 100KHZ Ifyou want to

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-07 04:05:58 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 292 Message: 296

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----- Original Message -----
From: Nick Queen
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, April 07, 2006 4:51 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Trick Tune below 100KHZ Ifyou want to

What sort of stations or utilities are in that range?

Some radio amateurs use VLF frequcncies, and the US military.

Leon
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http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller
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297. Re: Trick Tune below 100KHZ Ifyou want to

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-07 04:26:16 UTC
From: kitkatjt
Topic: 292 Message: 297

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> Leon Heller, G1HSM
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> I was listening to some hams you do not have as many walking on
each other as in some of the other frequences. Now I do use the wip
up and do not put it on local and it works well for me

298. Kaito31 shorting out, or something

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-10 22:14:50 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 292 Message: 298

Bon Sera amigi,

The antenna seems to be shorting out or something. Yesterday every time I touched the base unit, it made a scratching noise in the radio.

When I moved the wire I could hear it. One of the batteries also doesn't seem to be seating properly. It keeps popping up at the tit instead of staying in place making a good connection. When I hold it in place with my hand, it seems to do a little better, but not as well as it was doing last week.

Has anyone had any problems with this Active Loop antenner?

Now... when I tune the antenna it doesn't seem to make much difference. It seems to be letting the strongest signal through even when it is turned off. It's a subtle but unmistakable change in how it is operating? I don't get the big signal shifts when I tune it as I did when I first bought it a couple of months ago.

Has anyone experienced anything similar?

ImHotep

299. Re: [de1103] Kaito31 shorting out, or something

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-13 04:23:56 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 292 Message: 299

Is anyone home?

At 05:14 PM 04/10/2006, you wrote:

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>time I touched the base unit, it made a scratching noise in the radio.

300. RE: [de1103] Kaito31 shorting out, or something

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-13 16:11:42 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 292 Message: 300

Hey Clyde, I have both the KA31 and TG33. They both after time become scratchy and I am afraid QC is to blame. But the cost is low, I guess they are disposable..LOL Maybe some deoxit might help these antennas. Josh

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Clyde Benson
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2006 12:24 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] Kaito31 shorting out, or something

Is anyone home?

At 05:14 PM 04/10/2006, you wrote:

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301. RE: [de1103] Kaito31 shorting out, or something

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-13 23:04:51 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 292 Message: 301

Ok,

I talked with Kaito yesterday morning. They said
the innards are relatively simple. So I wi,, take
it over to the technician tomorrow morning and
see if he can fix it on the spot. It's probably just a loose wire someplace.

The signal really drops off on the radio when I
unplug the antenna, but when I adjust the tuning
think, nothing changes from one end to the other.

It seems to be putting out full power, but it can
no longer precisely tune to certain bands. I
believe that AN-LP1 comes that way. So maybe this is not such a bad thing? :-)

Kaito also said that they would send me a new one
if I shipped the defective one back. So I may
order a new one, and when that arrives, ship the
other one back to them. That way I won't be without a loop antenna.

ImHotep

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302. RE: [de1103] Kaito31 shorting out, or something

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-14 02:26:16 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 292 Message: 302

Yeah, Walter at Kaito is a good man. Just get you another one..

We Americans are a peculiar people. We are for the underdog, no matter how much of a dog he is. Happy Chandler

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Clyde Benson
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303. DE1104?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-13 22:22:31 UTC
From: Sanjaya
Topic: 303 Message: 303

Does anyone know if there is a Yahoo group dedicated to this soon to exist (hopefully), new entry from Degen?

304. RE: [de1103] DE1104?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-14 04:29:25 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 303 Message: 304

I have no idea, maybe Tao knows. Here is a catch all group and good one too.
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DegenKaitoTecsunGroup/?yguid=169276397

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much of a dog he is. Happy Chandler

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
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Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2006 6:23 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] DE1104?

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305. RE: [de1103] Kaito31 shorting out, or something

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-14 16:42:21 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 292 Message: 305

>>ImHotep,

>>I took the Kaito31 to my local technician
>>around 1000 this morning. Joe took one look at
>>what it was doing and then took it to the back
>>along with the radio. He took it apart and
>>noticed some wires that needed resoldering. He
>>had it all finished and working perfectly for me in less than 30 minutes.

He only charged me $10.00.00. It is working
perfectly now. Now I can go ahead and order a
second one for my other Sony 2010, or my Degen
1103 which really seems to benefit from using it.
I still want an AN-LP1but I don't know where I
can find a new one. I'm tired of buying used
stuff so when I find a site that has them I will try one of those.

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306. RE: [de1103] Kaito31 shorting out, or something

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-14 16:55:30 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 292 Message: 306

Aww yes QC!!!!! I know a seller on ebay that sells the An-LP1. It doesn't look like he has any now. Here is his store...
http://stores.ebay.com/buyfromjapan_W0QQssPageNameZstrkQ3amefsQ3amesstQQtZkm

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From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Clyde Benson
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2006 12:42 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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307. Re: Kaito31 shorting out, or something

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-14 19:34:51 UTC
From: Jim Hackett
Topic: 292 Message: 307

Did Universal Radio quit selling them? That's where I got mine...

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308. Re: [de1103] Re: Kaito31 shorting out, or something

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-14 20:03:41 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 292 Message: 308

Yes,

They ran out of stock about a month ago, and
don't have any plans to receive any more.

I can see buying one of those for a $100.00 or
so, but I can't see forking out three or four
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I use Primetime Shortwave as my main site for
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The only stations I would like to receive here in
Southeast Missouri that I don't are KNLS Alaska,
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Do any of you all receive those stations with any equipment?

Peace

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309. DE1103 Travel

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-14 21:06:22 UTC
From: pjcollradio
Topic: 309 Message: 309

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310. Re: [de1103] DE1103 Travel

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-14 21:35:45 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 309 Message: 310

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Locking the controls with Hold should help prevent the radio getting
switched on accidentally. I use it to stop the cat switching it on.

Leon
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Leon Heller, G1HSM
leon.heller@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller
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311. Re: Kaito31 shorting out, or something

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-14 23:13:18 UTC
From: Jim Hackett
Topic: 292 Message: 311

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I can receive those with any combination of radio/antenna here in
San Jose. Of course they come in better on my NRD525 or RX320 with a
65ft random wire than they do on my 1103 with the whip but I can
still pull them in on a portable...
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312. Re: [de1103] Re: Kaito31 shorting out, or something

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-15 00:13:50 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 292 Message: 312

Hey Jim that's great. I guess it is because you are about 3500
kilometers closer to them than I am.

Do you also receive the European stations like Radio France Intl,
Deutsche Welle, Radio Tirana, Bulgaria, and Croatia? I get those
pretty good most nights. How about Channel Africa?

At 06:13 PM 04/14/2006, you wrote:

>I can receive those with any combination of radio/antenna here in
>San Jose. Of course they come in better on my NRD525 or RX320 with a
>65ft random wire than they do on my 1103 with the whip but I can
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> > Yes,
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313. RE: [de1103] Re: Kaito31 shorting out, or something

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-15 01:53:06 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 292 Message: 313

Clyde I forget but aren't you here in Gawja? ;)

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From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Clyde Benson
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2006 8:14 PM
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314. RE: [de1103] Re: Kaito31 shorting out, or something

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-15 03:12:10 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 292 Message: 314

Nope! I'm in Swampeast Missouri. The hometown of the greatest human to ever live...Rush Limbaugh 3rd. The next president of the United Snakes. He will finish what the others started. :-)

At 08:53 PM 04/14/2006, you wrote:

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315. RE: [de1103] Re: Kaito31 shorting out, or something

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-15 03:23:14 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 292 Message: 315

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Sent: Friday, April 14, 2006 11:12 PM
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316. Re: DE1103 Travel

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-15 15:11:06 UTC
From: Theo
Topic: 309 Message: 316

You mean BOTH the on/off and "hold" managed to engage? Wow, that's
quite a feat, as de-activating the "hold" function has a delay on my 1103.

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317. Re: [de1103] DE1103 Travel

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-15 16:27:00 UTC
From: P.J. Coll
Topic: 309 Message: 317

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Leon Heller <leon.heller@...> wrote:
----- Original Message -----
From: "pjcollradio" <pjcollradio@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2006 10:06 PM
Subject: [de1103] DE1103 Travel

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Leon
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318. RE: [de1103] Re: Kaito31 shorting out, or something

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-15 22:57:46 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 292 Message: 318

Yes WPSD TV is my favorite station. :-)

At 10:23 PM 04/14/2006, you wrote:

>Aww ok, I live down in Georgia now but I am from Kentucky. Your near
>Paducah then, I thought you said you were from here, my bad.
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319. Re: [de1103] DE1103 Travel

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-15 23:11:44 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 309 Message: 319

Imhotep,

How about pressing any number; than press the
on/off button. That will cause the radio to play
for that amount of time and then shut off automatically.
I hit up on that one by accident. :-)
Getting the night light to work properly is interesting also.

A lot of the time when I would turn it on nothing
seemed to happen after it went off the first
time. I finally figured out that at night time
what you do is turn it on, and it comes on, or
stays on every time you change frequencies, or press a button.

The book definitely needs to be read carefully if
you don't want to waste a lot of time playing the
"3 monkey game with the radio."

Peace

At 11:27 AM 04/15/2006, you wrote:

>Greetings again, Thanks for pointing out the
>"Hold" feature. I'd read the operating manual
>at least twice and somehow that feature wasn't
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320. Re: [de1103] Re: DE1103 Travel

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-16 05:04:51 UTC
From: P.J. Coll
Topic: 309 Message: 320

In reply to "Theo". The wording in your reply seems like an attempt to make me look and feel like an idiot. You were successful. Any chance you are related to V.Felix in the SWL-Antenna group? P.J.

Theo <theod438@...> wrote: You mean BOTH the on/off and "hold" managed to engage? Wow, that's
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321. RE: [de1103] Re: DE1103 Travel

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-16 05:39:34 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 309 Message: 321

Great radio, nice case! I had been eyeing that case. I got the soft case from Tao Qu on ebay. I like it, very well made indeed.Josh

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of P.J. Coll
Sent: Sunday, April 16, 2006 1:05 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: DE1103 Travel

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322. Ac Adapter Louder

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-16 19:24:15 UTC
From: harle83
Topic: 322 Message: 322

I recently complained that my 1103 was noticeably quietier on SSB than my new e5. However when I plug it in, it comes roaring to life. I have to turn it down it's so loud. Why is this? Has anyone else noticed this on their radio's? Am I insane or is it something to do with grounding or more power? It's only a 6volt 300mA Supply. Let me know, this is really weird.
Harry

323. RE: [de1103] Ac Adapter Louder

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-16 19:31:21 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 322 Message: 323

Try some 2500Mah batts and see if this helps. Happy Easter one and all. Josh

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much of a dog he is. Happy Chandler

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
harle83
Sent: Sunday, April 16, 2006 3:24 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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324. Re: Ac Adapter Louder

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-17 13:16:08 UTC
From: Jim Hackett
Topic: 322 Message: 324

No difference between battery or electric on mine...

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "harle83" <harle83@...> wrote:
>
> I recently complained that my 1103 was noticeably quietier on SSB
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325. Re: DE1103 Travel

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-17 17:27:26 UTC
From: Theo
Topic: 309 Message: 325

No, on both counts, and I apologize if that's the way it read.

My point was, once the HOLD function is engaged, as you know it takes a concerted time push to disengage it. And for both the power and hold functions to cause the receiver to turn ON during rough transit would be, well, a feat.

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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "P.J. Coll" <pjcollradio@...> wrote:
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326. Re: DE1103 Travel

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-18 09:11:26 UTC
From: Fabrizio
Topic: 309 Message: 326

> My point was, once the HOLD function is engaged, as you know it takes
> a concerted time push to disengage it.

Sure, that delay is there on purpose, so that the radio cannot be
turned on accidently.

> And for both the power and
> hold functions to cause the receiver to turn ON during rough transit
> would be, well, a feat.

You don't have to press both keys at the same time. Just press HOLD a
couple of seconds and then press ON. I use the HOLD function every
time I turn the radio off.

Fabrizio

327. Re: [de1103] Re: Ac Adapter Louder

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-18 08:43:00 UTC
From: ken mccleary
Topic: 322 Message: 327

Have you checked the voltage output of the adapter under load when it is driving the radio? It sounds a bit like there are a few volts more, possibly, than the stated output. This can increase volume in my experience, but it might also shorten the life of components...or it could be a ground effect issue, by placing your hand "near" the extended antenna while on batteries and noting an increase in sensitivity may indicate the power supply is providing an induced ground when it is later being used... any thoughts from others out there?? good luck, ken

Jim Hackett wrote:

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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "harle83" <harle83@...> wrote:
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328. Re: TG33 Vs Twin Coil Ferrite

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-23 18:48:43 UTC
From: bt1957
Topic: 236 Message: 328

Hello Phill...

Yes, I would be very interested in your comparison of the TG33 amplified medium Wave Loop and the Ccrane Twin Coil Ferrite antenna.

Medium Wave DX is the goal here...

Thanks...

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "ppasteur" <ppasteur@...> wrote:
> As to the TG33. It works as well. I was trying to use it plugged directly
> into the AM antenna inputs on the three radios that I used it with.
> Apparently none of them actually take MW signal input from this jack.

> I will be running a comparison between the TG33
> and my CCrane dual ferrite active antenna. It may be off topic for this
> list, but if anyone is interested please let me know and I can post the
> results.

330. PK MW Loop Antenna cross post

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-24 00:15:48 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 330 Message: 330

Has anyone tried out the PK MW loop antenna with a Tecsun or Degen radio?

I've looked at the Terk and Select A Tenna on Ebay already. Just wondering if one model stands out from the others, or are they all just about the same.

331. 1103 FM question.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-25 17:47:43 UTC
From: jlochey
Topic: 331 Message: 331

Group,

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I was under the assumption that this was only for improved AM reception?

Can somebody enlighten me?

Thanks,

John

332. Re: [de1103] 1103 FM question.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-25 18:52:46 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 331 Message: 332

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----- Original Message -----
From: "jlochey" <john.lochey@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2006 6:47 PM
Subject: [de1103] 1103 FM question.

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It's probably acting like a ground at VHF.

Leon

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currently using to read this email. ]
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333. Re: Ac Adapter Louder

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-25 20:48:12 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 322 Message: 333

Are you getting louder signals, or just more noise?

An adapter can add considerable noise, carried through from the house wiring.

Most wall-warts are unregulated supplies and it could be putting more than 6v into the radio, although determining just how much will require lashing something together so you can get a meter between the supply and the radio's DC input.

I only use rechargeables in my set and never connect it to a supply.

Lately AFRTS on 6350 has been coming in well at night here on the West Coast, so for those curious about their set's SSB performance, that may provide a reliable signal to check by. The next best source of long-duration SSB sigs are the rag-chewers on 80M.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "harle83" <harle83@...> wrote:
>
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> my new e5. However when I plug it in, it comes roaring to life. I have
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> this on their radio's? Am I insane or is it something to do with
> grounding or more power? It's only a 6volt 300mA Supply. Let me know,
> this is really weird.
> Harry
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334. RE: [de1103] Re: Ac Adapter Louder

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-25 21:16:49 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 322 Message: 334

In the Southeast AFRTS comes in best on 5447. FYI

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of jeffkopp
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2006 4:48 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: Ac Adapter Louder

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335. Re: [de1103] Re: Ac Adapter Louder

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-26 00:28:38 UTC
From: P.J. Coll
Topic: 322 Message: 335

Jeffkopp, You mentioned recieving AFRTS well at night on west coast. About what time UTC?
P.J.

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336. Re: Ac Adapter Louder

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-26 02:10:06 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 322 Message: 336

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "P.J. Coll" <pjcollradio@...> wrote:
>
> Jeffkopp, You mentioned recieving AFRTS well at night on west coast.
About what time UTC? P.J.

Well, around 0500-1000Z, I guess. I see 6350 is Honolulu; Joshua is
hearing Key West on 5446.5.

http://myafn.dodmedia.osd.mil/radio/shortwave/

337. Re: [de1103] 1103 FM question.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-26 12:18:28 UTC
From: John Gordy
Topic: 331 Message: 337

John

I had the same question when trying to figure out how to connect an external FM antenna and learned that the built-in whip is disconnected for SW and FM use when an external antenna is plugged in. I did not notice this mentioned in the owners manual, such as it is.

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338. Re: 1103 FM question.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-26 18:42:26 UTC
From: jlochey
Topic: 331 Message: 338

So if I plug in, say a big fm yagi, to the antenna plug on that radio, it disconnects the existing whip? That is cool.

But would the 1103 make use of the yagi?

John

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "John Gordy" <johnmgordy@...> wrote:
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339. RE: [de1103] Re: 1103 FM question.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-26 20:41:09 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 331 Message: 339

Sure

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of jlochey
Sent: Wednesday, April 26, 2006 2:42 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: 1103 FM question.

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IpznzYq-E2LbCrDXaGPQ> radio

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340. Re: rds gizmo for 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-29 03:30:09 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 288 Message: 340

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "stelug" <stelug@...> wrote:
>
> Hallo all, I found an interesting little circuit that can be added
to
> our radio and decodes Rds signals. With this I believe degen becomes
> the best bargain of the world. The items costs about 35 Usd mounted,
> or 25 if coosing the do your-self option. Cause of my absolute
> ignoranze in electronics I went via the most expensive way, but
don't
> regret. I had to solder only two cables cable for an external
battery
> and dropped a jack in the outline of the 1003 and could immediatlet
> read names of station, telephone numbers and others info shared from
> RDs broadcasting om the aditional screen pof the gitzmo. Nice thing.
> Ill' try to upload some files about and may be some more experts can
> build it by themselves. Anyway I have no relation wit the peoples
> sellig it. Just to share my experience. And yes this things, may be
tw
> and a half inches for less thn one, comes without any box so you
must
> built it by yoursel: this my next duty.
> Clicking to the download link opens a parent directory with full
> tecnical info
>
> http://www.micromed.it/cgi-newstore/commerce.cgi
>

Interesting project. Have you uploaded any more info on it?

For others, the direct link to the RDS Decoder board is
http://www.micromed.it/cgi-newstore/commerce.cgi?pid=52 . Everything
is in Italian.

Is anyone aware of any similar kit or pre-assembled adapter available
in North America with instructions in English?

Wikipedia has links to a number of projects for RDS decoders using
microcontrollers or PC's at
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Radio_Data_System .

73, Tom VE3MEO

341. DEGEN DE-1103 Modifications-

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-30 02:12:17 UTC
From: Paulo Roberto Gomes Cabral
Topic: 341 Message: 341

Hello - First of all it's my first post in this group- I'm from Brazil and I bought Degen DE-1103 recently - I've observed that the radio is great - Really a better one but I was having problem with noise interference and I that it was interference from own home , from tv , computer and this modern lamps commonly used nowadays , but for me it was only the home interferences - It was coming from the radio that was overloading when working with the external antenna- I found an article about this in : Radio Sacnner.RU http://babelfish.altavista.com/babelfish/trurl_pagecontent?lp=ru_en&trurl=http%3a%2f%2fmods.radioscanner.ru%2fdegen%2fde1103%2f -There are many modifications - I believe the articles are in Russian but this link translate them to english , I did this - I did only the modification named : Alteration of the antenna joint - For me , it was what I was looking for - Now I have the radio pluged into the computer, near to a tv , and lamps and no interference or noises - I'm using an external antenna, also in MW (after this modification the external antenna works also in MW) where I was having more interference , although I was having in SW too , but now the sign comes clearly - I will post all the articles translated to english in the file areas of the group - Sorry for my poor English , I'm a Brazilian from Vila Velha - Espírito Santo - Brazil , but I believe it can be helpful for someone as it was for me - I didn't do all the changes , only the one I have metionated above -
Best Regards - Paulo Cabral -

342. RE: [de1103] DEGEN DE-1103 Modifications-

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-30 03:43:52 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 341 Message: 342

Thanks Paulo!

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paulo Roberto Gomes Cabral
Sent: Saturday, April 29, 2006 10:12 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] DEGEN DE-1103 Modifications-

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343. New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-30 03:49:16 UTC
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343 Message: 343

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the de1103
group.

File : /DEGEN_DE_1103__MODIFICATIONS.zip
Uploaded by : paulorgc <paulo_cabral@...>
Description : Changes to solve problems with DEGEN DE-1103

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/DEGEN_DE_1103__MODIFICATIONS.zip

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/files

Regards,

paulorgc <paulo_cabral@...>

344. Re: DEGEN DE-1103 Modifications-

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-04-30 05:19:34 UTC
From: Jim Hackett
Topic: 341 Message: 344

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paulo Roberto Gomes Cabral" <paulo_cabral@...> wrote:

> Sorry for my poor English ,

> Best Regards - Paulo Cabral -

Your English is a lot better than a lot of Americans I know... ;)
Thanks for the mod!

345. Re: Trick Tune below 100KHZ Ifyou want to

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-02 01:57:15 UTC
From: Don
Topic: 292 Message: 345

kitkatjt -

I am assuming you're the member that posted this and I wanted to tell you that I appreciate this information as I just received my Degen 1103 today. I also have the newer Kaito 1102, so one of my main reasons for purchasing the 1103 was to received 160 meters. I tuned in 1.947 this evening in SSB mode and the hams are loud and clear. Works like a charm.

don

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "kitkatjt" <kitkatjt@...> wrote:
>
> You will be able to switch off ferrite bar ant. and use the wip or
> external.
>
> Put in 21951 khz press am +
> Press am fm together and start searching downward to below 100 khz
> Once you are below 100 stop the scan and store the freqency then pull
> it back up from the memory bank and turn off the radio.When you turn
> the radio on start turning the dial.You will be on the wip.You can
> check your progress by placing your hand on the ant.I like to go down
> towards the am stations.By using the wip or external you should be
able
> to hear many more stations.
>

346. Re: rds gizmo for 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-02 14:05:11 UTC
From: stelug
Topic: 288 Message: 346

> 73, Tom VE3MEO wrote:

"Interesting project. Have you uploaded any more info on it?"
>
no, I'll try to find some english test and upload later with the pictures of the decoder in the new case I builded. I can add some more info: I just soldered the tree cables as per instruction, added a 9 volts cell, and the thingy immediately started working. I tested it with three radio: my de 1103, 1102 and sony 7600D. The 1103 is far the more responsive, I simply had to put the jack in the out-line hole and the name of station comed up immediatly(here in Italy is crowded but it did not miss any boadcast). with the 1102 (no line out, only earsbud hole) I had to play a little with the volume before seeing the info on the display, the sony is in the middle adn the gitzmo reads better in the earbud pin than in the out line. The bad with 1102 and sony is that radio become mute when scanning while with 1103 you can continue listening and reading too. For me it was worth the costs.
later for pics

347. Re: Trick Tune below 100KHZ Ifyou want to

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-03 06:35:24 UTC
From: kitkatjt
Topic: 292 Message: 347

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Don" <kansasphotos@...> wrote:
>
> kitkatjt -
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> you that I appreciate this information as I just received my Degen
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> > the radio on start turning the dial.You will be on the wip.You
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> > check your progress by placing your hand on the ant.I like to go
down
> > towards the am stations.By using the wip or external you should
be
> able
> > to hear many more stations.
> >
>Don

I am glad you like it and it does work like a charm. AM off the
antenna is alot better for me.

348. DE1103 SSB distorsion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-03 09:53:12 UTC
From: paolonan2000
Topic: 348 Message: 348

Hi everybody,
I recently bought a DE1103 and at beginning was really happy of this little radio, especially for its capability to receive in SSB mode.
Unfortunately in the last few days I've found that the SSB audio is strongly distorted, especially on strong signals.
Sounds like a sort of instability of the BFO signal.
If I turn SSB on with an unmodulated carrier, the result is not a fixed clean tone but something like a chirp.
Has anyone experienced a problem like mine?
Any suggestion to fix it?
I've seen the "russian" screening mod, but he mentions that he found a distorsion due to his hand position on the radio, instead my problem is always present.

Thanks
Paolo

349. Re: DE1103 SSB distorsion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-03 13:22:05 UTC
From: Jim Hackett
Topic: 348 Message: 349

Have you tried putting it on local instead of DX?

"paolonan2000" <paolonan2000@...> wrote:
>
> Hi everybody,
> I recently bought a DE1103 and at beginning was really happy of
this
> little radio, especially for its capability to receive in SSB mode.
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> Thanks
> Paolo
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350. Re: DE1103 SSB distorsion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-03 14:12:32 UTC
From: paolonan2000
Topic: 348 Message: 350

Yes, It seems to be independent from the IF filter selection.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Jim Hackett" <jim_hack@...> wrote:
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> Have you tried putting it on local instead of DX?
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351. Re: Trick Tune below 100KHZ Ifyou want to

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-03 15:00:25 UTC
From: Don
Topic: 292 Message: 351

Yes, I forgot to mention that that also was a nice side event of that
feature. Down in my basement coupled to an outside antenna I don't
have to turn the unit to pick up a weak AM station.

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> > charm.
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> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "kitkatjt" <kitkatjt@> wrote:
> > >
> > > You will be able to switch off ferrite bar ant. and use the wip
> or
> > > external.
> > >
> > > Put in 21951 khz press am +
> > > Press am fm together and start searching downward to below 100
khz
> > > Once you are below 100 stop the scan and store the freqency
then
> pull
> > > it back up from the memory bank and turn off the radio.When you
> turn
> > > the radio on start turning the dial.You will be on the wip.You
> can
> > > check your progress by placing your hand on the ant.I like to
go

> down
> > > towards the am stations.By using the wip or external you should
> be
> > able
> > > to hear many more stations.
> > >
> >Don
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> I am glad you like it and it does work like a charm. AM off the
> antenna is alot better for me.
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352. Re: DE1103 SSB distorsion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-03 15:02:34 UTC
From: Don
Topic: 348 Message: 352

I've experienced a little bit of that, especially on very strong signals in the 20 meter band, but switching to "local" seemed to eliminate it.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "paolonan2000" <paolonan2000@...> wrote:
>
> Hi everybody,
> I recently bought a DE1103 and at beginning was really happy of this
> little radio, especially for its capability to receive in SSB mode.
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> Thanks
> Paolo
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353. Re: DE1103 SSB distorsion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-03 19:24:32 UTC
From: Jim Hackett
Topic: 348 Message: 353

I wasn't talking about the IF filters. Local/dx switch is an
attenuator. Sometimes attenuating a strong SSB signal will make it
much more readable...

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "paolonan2000" <paolonan2000@...>
wrote:
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> Yes, It seems to be independent from the IF filter selection.
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Jim Hackett" <jim_hack@> wrote:
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354. Re: More on the DE1103 Audio Quality - Response from 1103 designer

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-04 03:20:55 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 210 Message: 354

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "steve wilkins" <G7MDM@...> wrote:
>
> If I have a chance next week at work I will do some distortion
> measurements relative to input level at both the headphone output and
> line output.
>
> rgds'Steve

Hi Steve, did you get to do these measurements? They would be most interesting.

Another factor that may contribute to perceived differences in distortion levels between MW and SW stations is AGC speed and differences in audio processing and program content. Maybe MW stations process more aggressively and push relatively more bass energy. A fast enough AGC will act on modulation, attempt to chase low frequencies, thus affecting the IF output at audio rates and causing audio distortion.

73, Tom

355. Re: DE1103 SSB distorsion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-04 07:26:07 UTC
From: paolonan2000
Topic: 348 Message: 355

Sorry Jim, I understood your suggestion, don't know why I mentioned
the filter switch.
However in "local" position the problem was still there.
I say was because yesterday night something happened. Was listening
on 40 meters SSB (distorted) when the audio little by little went
down, until just a little rustle was audible from the speaker.
Now in AM/FM mode everithing is still ok, but no beating at all in
SSB.
I really think that the BFO is death. Need to open and investigate,
hoping I have enough skill to fix it.

Thanks
Paolo

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> > > > Thanks
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356. Re: DE1103 SSB distorsion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-04 10:41:59 UTC
From: Fabrizio
Topic: 348 Message: 356

Yep, the local/DX switch definitely helps with very strong signals. Sometimes the distorsion is also caused by interference from electric devices nearby.

I have noticed, though, that there is SSB distorsion in the 10 meter band - 28 Mhz -, regardless of the local/DX switch, and to a lesser extent, even in the 12 meter band of 24 Mhz.

Has anyone noticed the same, despite the little activity in these bands with the current low sunspots numbers?

Greetings from Rome

Fab

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357. Re: [de1103] Re: DE1103 SSB distorsion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-04 15:01:43 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 348 Message: 357

Bon Giorno Fabrizio,

Io sono curiouso. Che statzione che parlano in Ingles riecevi da
Roma? durante il giorno e anche durante la notte?

Grazie Claudio Bensoni

At 05:41 AM 05/04/2006, you wrote:

>Yep,
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>Greetings from Rome
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358. Re: [de1103] DE1103 SSB distorsion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-04 16:24:16 UTC
From: Paulo Roberto Gomes Cabral
Topic: 348 Message: 358

Paolo I don't have this problem in my DE1103, neither in strong signals - The only thing I observed was the precision in SSB fine tune, but I did the change between SSB fine tune and Volune control , suggested in modifications by this Russian site and now I have high precision in mode SSB- You can see this in the post I did in the file area of this group - I believe this modifications are fantastic although I did only the alteration of the antenna joint and change in control of loudness and frequency control in regime SSB.

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359. Re: [de1103] DE1103 SSB distorsion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-04 17:05:59 UTC
From: Dov Paz
Topic: 348 Message: 359

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360. Kiwa Upgrades Anyone?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-04 19:43:30 UTC
From: jlochey
Topic: 360 Message: 360

Everybody,

Has anyone had the KIWA upgrades done to their 1103 yet?

Just curious.

John
KC8JDI

361. Re: DE1103 SSB distorsion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-05 10:14:14 UTC
From: Fabrizio
Topic: 348 Message: 361

Dear Clyde, I see that your Italian is good, but I'll reply in English so that the other members can follow us...

As far as what stations I hear, well, I guess I am an 'atypical' listener because I mostly listen to hams, radioamateurs, rather than BCL.

I have bought my DE1103 just before Christmas ans so far I have heard hams from 186 DXCC countries out of 335.

Just any part of the world can be received in Rome, at the right time of the day and at the right frequency. I think that Europe is a good place for SW listening.

On the last few days, we had good propagation at about 8 am in the 20 meter band with Hawaii (over the North Pole, always a critical path) and Australia via the long path (signals travelling over central America). Early in the morning the 40 meter band is still open for central-south America and New Zealand.

Then from late morning until mid afternoon we can receive the Far East countries, especially Indonesia, Japan, the Philippines, Thailand and the western Pacific islands, such as Saipan and Palau in the 15 and 17 meters bands. North and Central America is received in 20 meters from early afternoon well into the evening.

During the afternoon it's also possible to receive South African countries, Mauritius, Reunion, Angola, up to the 10 meter band. From mid to late afternoon it's time for South America in 15 and 10 meters.

After 8 or 9 PM Asia comes through in 40 meter with good signals especially from Japan.

As far as broadcast stations are concerned, I haven't really pursued this kind of listening, but I remember I found an American religious station on 5070 Khz that was quite strong during the winter mornings before sunrise.
Since you speak Italian, take a look at http://www.bclnews.it/ for schedules and tips.
Ciao

Fab

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Clyde Benson <clydebenson@...> wrote:
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> Grazie Claudio Bensoni
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362. Re: DE1103 SSB distorsion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-05 12:12:04 UTC
From: stelug
Topic: 348 Message: 362

Hi Fabrizio, I read You are in Rome that is from where I am too. From what You write it seems You have good skill in dxing while I am an absolute newbee (whilts old in age) on radio world. I'dd like to have a contact, may be a phone call ? just to ask some basics info (for example what is SSb). If you have any spare time please mail me
Ciao stefano

In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Fabrizio" <fabriz23@...> wrote:
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> English so that the other members can follow us...
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363. Re: [de1103] Re: DE1103 SSB distorsion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-05 15:42:04 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 348 Message: 363

Bon jour Fabrizio,

Come tallez you ce matin?

Merci pour les gentile complimenti. Pero, my Italian is only a one or two on a scale of 100. Your English is 100 on a scale of 100.

It really makes me feel small to see how much better educated, and sophisticated most Asians and Europeans are than we Americans. It like comparing someone with a kindergarten education to someone with a PhD.

Yet somehow we feel everyone in the world is inferior to us and are supposed to follow everything we demand, or else we will make them an offer they can't refuse.

I think we are going to be in deep trouble on judgement day.

At 05:14 AM 05/05/2006, you wrote:

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>English so that the other members can follow us...
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Davvero! I haven't really gotten into ham listening yet. It is boring to me most of the time.

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Goodgoobaloobee! I didn't know there were that many countries in the world. I thought there was only the United Sates and Northern Europe?

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>of the day and at the right frequency. I think that Europe is a good
>place for SW listening.

I did a little shortwaving years ago when I live in Northern Italy at Aviano, but I can't remember what I was hearing. This was back in the 60's and 70's. There was no computer, cable, or satellite back them. The only TV I received was in Yugoslavian, or in Italian. I could listen to AFRTS on my radio, but that was about it. I spent most of my time catching donne at the spiaggia. I like Rimini a lot, and all of the northern adriatic beaches like Lignano, Jesolo, Venice Lido, Caorle, bibione, etc. Now today it would be fun to lay out there and listen to my radios.

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>meter band with Hawaii (over the North Pole, always a critical path)
>and Australia via the long path (signals travelling over central
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I have never been able to pickup Hawaii, or Alaska here in swampeast, Missouri.

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>countries, Mauritius, Reunion, Angola, up to the 10 meter band.
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>meters.

Never heard Angold, Reunion, or Mauritius either. You really have
some great listening there. Of course Rome is very close to Africa. I
think by air maybe only 370 miles away.

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>especially from Japan.
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>this kind of listening, but I remember I found an American religious
>station on 5070 Khz that was quite strong during the winter mornings
>before sunrise.

Listening really sounds great over there. Italy must be perfectly
centered to receive stuff from all directions far off like that.

>Since you speak Italian, take a look at
><http://www.bclnews.it/>http://www.bclnews.it/ for
>schedules and tips.
>Ciao
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>Fab
>
>Ok, I will take a look at that sight.

Au Revoir Amigo mio

I hope to return to Italy this summer, spending a couple months
eating the great food, drinking the fine wines, looking up old
friends, and traveling around from one end to the other. It's really
odd that I spent over seven years there, but I never visited Roma?
:-(Only the aeroporto Ciampolino.

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364. re : SSB Distortion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-07 02:07:26 UTC
From: Dennis Ls M Cruz
Topic: 364 Message: 364

Hi!

Are you using the external power supply/adapter when you get this distortion? Try using batteries. If the distortion goes away, ground the radio every time you use the external power supply. I had the same problem like yours on both my Degen DE1103 & DE1102 when using the power supply - the audio on SSB sounds jittery. I solved it by connecting an alligator clip to the aluminum window screen nearby. I have a Sangean ATS-505 & the Sony ICF-7600GR and they sound ok on SSB using AC/DC adapter without any grounding. I listen to SSB a lot (Aeronautical HF & HAM)

Greetings from the Philippines

Dennis Ls. M. Cruz - DV7-BKO

365. Re: re : SSB Distortion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-08 07:38:05 UTC
From: paolonan2000
Topic: 364 Message: 365

Hi Dennis,
the SSB function of my DE1103 is death, now. It means that my
problems were due to some defective component or soldered junction.
I have to investigate and fix the fault, if possible.
Thanks and 73.

Paolo (from Italy).

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Dennis Ls M Cruz" <stclaire5000@...>
wrote:
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366. Re: DE1103 SSB distorsion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-08 08:34:59 UTC
From: Fabrizio
Topic: 348 Message: 366

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Clyde Benson <clydebenson@...> wrote:
>
> Bon jour Fabrizio,
> Come tallez you ce matin?

Dear Clyde, hey don't start with French now! My French is very poor :)

I have read this message of yours with interest and I have also been amused by it :)
Maybe we should continue by private emails from now on, but this time I will reply here because the main subject is still radio reception after all.

> It really makes me feel small to see how much better educated,

We could write a book about that. There would be many things to say.... And then, I don't know the American society well enough to have a clear opinion...

> Davvero! I haven't really gotten into ham listening yet. It is boring
> to me most of the time.

I understand that it can be boring if it's only like:'You are 5/9. What's my report?'-'You're also 59, 73 and good luck'. But I like to search for rare countries and you never know what you're going to listen. It's also possible to listen to longer conversions where the two hams are not only exchanging reception reports, but they discuss several topics. For me it's a good opportunity to practice English. It's nice to listen to an Aussie in Queensland telling a guy in the UK that he just came home from work, had a cold beer and is watching the ocean from his window as he speaks...

> Goodgoobaloobee! I didn't know there were that many countries in the
> world. I thought there was only the United Sates and Northern Europe?

Hams are all over the world and there are more DXCC countries than nations. For example, mainland US, Puerto Rico, US Virgin Island, Hawaii, Alaska are all different DXCC countries and so are mainland Italy and Sardinia. The list is at
http://www.arrl.org/awards/dxcc/dxcclist.txt

> I spent most of
> my time catching donne at the spiaggia. I like Rimini a lot, and all

> of the northern adriatic beaches like Lignano, Jesolo, Venice Lido,
> Caorle, bibione, etc. Now today it would be fun to lay out there
and
> listen to my radios.

I don't blame you for catching donne, rather that spending time with
radio! I am sure you would be amazed to see how those places have
changed in 30-40 years, I guess... Well I am 42 y.o. by the way.

> I have never been able to pickup Hawaii, or Alaska here in
swampeast, Missouri.

> I have never received the Phillipines, Palau, or the western
Pacific islands
> Never heard Angola, Reunion, or Mauritius either. You really have
> some great listening there. Of course Rome is very close to
Africa.
> I think by air maybe only 370 miles away.

It's much easier to receive hams from those countries instead of
broadcasting stations! That's why! Yes, distance matters, but not too
much. South Africa is the farthest, yet it comes through loud.

> I hope to return to Italy this summer, spending a couple months
> eating the great food, drinking the fine wines, looking up old
> friends, and traveling around from one end to the other. It's
really
> odd that I spent over seven years there, but I never visited Roma?
> :-(Only the aeroporto Ciampolino.

Oh, let me know if you come over. We could meet in person.
Bye

Fab

367. Re: DE1103 SSB distorsion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-08 17:45:03 UTC
From: wgmartin999
Topic: 348 Message: 367

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Clyde Benson <clydebenson@...> wrote:
> I have never been able to pickup Hawaii, or Alaska here in
swampeast, Missouri.

Actually, it's pretty easy to get an Hawaiian signal here
in Missouri. Just listen to WWV. When you hear the female voice
giving the time, that's WWVH in Hawaii.

Now, this may well not be *what* you want to hear from Hawaii,
but you can log it and count the state that way...

:-) Regards & 73, Will (St. Louis, MO)

368. Re: Future Degen DE1108

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-08 20:24:38 UTC
From: Christoph Lorenz
Topic: 10 Message: 368

Hi Omar,

I'm an FM Dxer, and so for me, the RDS codes (especially the PI code) is very important. For example when receive a 2000km distant station via Sporadic-E, you have almost no chance to identify it, unless you can read the PI code of the station.

And additionally, RDS provides lots of interesting data, for example with the list of alternative frequencies, you can say, which FM transmitter was received, if you have got the same program either on the same frequency, or just in 100kHz distance.

So, for an FM DXer, RDS is much more than just the eight characters of the station name.

Ciao
Christoph

Am Montag, den 08.05.2006, 20:02 +0000 schrieb Omar K Neusser:
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Christoph Lorenz <mail@...> wrote:
> >
> > Am Donnerstag, den 19.01.2006, 23:12 +0000 schrieb camteax:
> > > Details On The Future Degen DE1108 here:
> > >
> > > http://www.radiointel.com/index.htm
> >
> > Again without RDS for FM?
> >
> > That would be a real pity!
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>
> For me selectivity and sensivity on AM/SW are most important!
>
> What is the use of knowing your local stn's name on FM?
>
> (Wof?r denn? :-)
>
> BW; Omar K Neusser
> http://www.livingislam.org/
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369. Re: [de1103] Re: DE1103 SSB distorsion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-09 06:28:35 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 348 Message: 369

Ok Will,

I didn't know that. I'll listen for the female. what time of day is
she usually calling out the time?

You're really lucky to be living in the beuatiful city of St. Louis
instead of down here in Rush Limbaughville, MO

Peace

39 and doing a Jack Benny thing.

At 12:45 PM 05/08/2006, you wrote:

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>swampeast, Missouri.
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370. Re: DE1103 SSB distorsion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-10 16:09:45 UTC
From: wgmartin999
Topic: 348 Message: 370

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Clyde Benson <clydebenson@...> wrote:
> Ok Will,
> I didn't know that. I'll listen for the female. what time of day is
> she usually calling out the time?

It's on 24 hours a day, same as WWV in Ft. Collins.
You can often hear the WWVH female voice giving the
time just before the male voice on WWV announces it.
Try the usual 5, 10, 15 MHz WWV frequencies and, if
propagation is favorable, you may hear her just about
any time. (You get both WWV & WWVH coming in over each
other but since their frequencies are so precise and
stable, there's no ill effect.)

73, Will

371. DE1103 modifications

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-12 10:19:14 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 371 Message: 371

Hi all,

if you speak russian, see:
http://lab.radioscanner.ru/review/degen2.php

Many interesting modifications here!

Regards, Jara "Rat"

372. Trick Tune below 76MHz ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-12 10:17:04 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 372 Message: 372

Hi all,

I heard about "Trick Tune below 100KHZ", but do you know about tune below 76 and up 108MHz or up 30MHz???

Thanks for help!

Regards, Jara "Rat"

373. DE1103 mods on russian site.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-12 14:14:37 UTC
From: g0wqi
Topic: 373 Message: 373

Hi all
I tried some of the mods on my 1103, but decided not to swap the bfo and volume controls. Some may like to do this mod but I don't mind the controls as they are.
The first mod was to alter the long external aerial input so that the pre amp for the whip aerial is not used and is not overloded. It seems to work fine.
The second mod was to alter the low pass input filter to improve sensitivity between 14 and 30 MHz. This worked very well.
The third mod was to improve the internal screening. A definate improvement.
Note I am an electronics professional so please don't destroy your radio trying these mods if you are not experienced.
If you want to see for yourself use babel fish to translate the article but be carefull as the translation is very odd !!!

Unmodified the 1103 is really very good if you can live with the unusual display and volume control I'd recomend it. To be honest I woudn't worry about the display the radio works so well you can live with it.
Have fun
John

374. Re: [de1103] Trick Tune below 76MHz ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-12 23:28:07 UTC
From: Paulo Roberto Gomes Cabral
Topic: 372 Message: 374

I've never heard about Tunning below 76 and up 108Mhz , but up 30 MHz I did using the instructions below from the Russian site :
http://lab.radioscanner.ru/review/degen2.php

For the "disclosure" above 30 MHz make the following:

1. You will include receiver and nastroyte it for the frequency of 21951 kHz via straight collection on the digital keyboard (2-1-9-5-1- "BAND+").
2. press simultaneously two buttons: "BAND -" and "BAND+" to the moment of the beginning of scanning downward in the frequency.
3. you will stop scanning by pushing of any knob, then press button "BAND+" and retain it prior to the beginning of scanning upward in the frequency.
4. wait for reaching frequency above 29950 kHz and you will stop scanning. Write down the frequency of stoppage into any storage cell.
5. cause recorded storage cell by button "M/F" and pass into the regime of manual tuning by repeated pushing of this knob. On the display there will be frequency recorded earlier, and inscription "MEM" in the right side of the display will be replaced on "VOL".
6. you will neglect scanning upward in the frequency by pressure and by the retention of button "BAND+". Scanning will pass boundary 30 MHz (indications on the display will take the form of the type "b0000", where the first symbol - inverted letter B). Attention: it is necessary to have time to stop scanning at the indications of the display between "b000y" and "b0009" (30.001-30.009 MHz).

73

Paulo Cabral - Vila Velha - Espírito Santo - Brazil

Hi all,

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below 76 and up 108MHz or up 30MHz???

Thanks for help!

Regards, Jara "Rat"

375. Re: [de1103] Re: DE1103 SSB distorsion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-13 15:43:53 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 348 Message: 375

Ok Thanks,

I'll listen for her and be ready to take matters in hand.

At 11:09 AM 05/10/2006, you wrote:

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376. Re: DE1103 SSB distorsion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-15 06:08:27 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 348 Message: 376

Don't talk that way about (the late) Jane Barbe, or we'll pack
you off the "hep wif ordio" group.

(I think Mr. Benson is having a little "fun" with us, guys. MLM sig
line, too.)

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377. Locking up after changing batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-15 07:59:19 UTC
From: leon_heller
Topic: 377 Message: 377

I always run my DE1103 off batteries charged in a rapid charger. I changed the batteries yesterday and the radio 'locked up' with the display light on. I had the Hold setting activated before changing the batteries, and couldn't deactivate it. Resetting the radio restored everything to normal, and I still had the memory contents intact; I did have to reset the clock, which had been zeroed, and the volume setting which was at maximum.

It hasn't happened before; I think it might be something to do with Hold being on when I changed the batteries. Has anyone else experienced it?

Leon

378. RE: [de1103] Locking up after changing batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-15 12:10:51 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 377 Message: 378

Leon, the only time this has happened to me was just like you said. Thank God for the reset!!! Best Regards, Josh

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of leon_heller
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2006 3:59 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Locking up after changing batteries

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380. Re: DE1103 mods on russian site.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-16 02:48:30 UTC
From: Don
Topic: 373 Message: 380

John -

Did the sensitivity below 14khz change any or did it stay the same?

don

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "g0wqi" <John@...> wrote:
>
> Hi all
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> bfo and volume controls. Some may like to do this mod but I don't
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> Have fun
> John
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381. Re: Clock Speed - pictures

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-16 03:18:41 UTC
From: katie10543
Topic: 121 Message: 381

FYI,

I've uploaded a couple of pictures (in the Files section) of the
100pf capacitor fix to the clock speed problem.

-Katie

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "katie10543" <katie10543@...> wrote:
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> > > Let us know if such modification helps.
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> > > In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@> wrote:
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> > > > ----- Original Message -----
> > > > From: "katie10543" <katie10543@>
> > > > To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> > > > Sent: Sunday, February 26, 2006 3:53 PM
> > > > Subject: [de1103] Clock Speed
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382. Re: Clock Speed - pictures

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-16 06:44:07 UTC
From: Dennis Ls M Cruz
Topic: 121 Message: 382

Thanks Katie for the pic !

Dennis, DV7-BKO
the Philippines

383. RE: [de1103] Re: Clock Speed - pictures

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-16 07:03:03 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 121 Message: 383

Hey Dennis, did you get a lot of radios on your trip??

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Dennis Ls M Cruz
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2006 2:44 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: Clock Speed - pictures

Thanks Katie for the pic !

Dennis, DV7-BKO
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384. Re: Clock Speed - pictures

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-16 18:16:58 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 121 Message: 384

Nice to know it works. Looking forward for more info/hints that you
can share with us. Thanks again.

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385. Re: Clock Speed - pictures

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-17 02:46:10 UTC
From: Dennis Ls M Cruz
Topic: 121 Message: 385

May 17, 2006

Hi Josh & everyone,

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386. RE: [de1103] Re: Clock Speed - pictures

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-17 03:22:39 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 121 Message: 386

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-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Dennis Ls M Cruz
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2006 10:46 PM
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387. Re: Clock Speed - pictures

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-17 06:13:11 UTC
From: Dennis Ls M Cruz
Topic: 121 Message: 387

Redsun or Tecsun should build a nice & affordable SSB capable receiver
the size of the Sangean ATS-818 or possibly the size of the GE SRIII ;-)

Dennis
DV7-BKO
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388. Re: [de1103] Digest Number 90

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-17 04:40:49 UTC
From: Pete
Topic: 388 Message: 388

yup.....every time I change the batteries!

> It hasn't happened before; I think it might be something to do with
> Hold being on when I changed the batteries. Has anyone else experienced
> it?
>
> Leon

389. Re: [de1103] Digest Number 90

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-17 08:44:07 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 388 Message: 389

----- Original Message -----
From: "Pete" <pjt05@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2006 5:40 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Digest Number 90

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Is that with Hold on and off? I thought that might be relevant because I think I had it off when I changed the batteries previously, and didn't have any problems.

Leon

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390. Re: Clock Speed - pictures

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-17 10:22:38 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 121 Message: 390

Hi,
What is the Redsun radio ? A Degen's competition brand?
Will appreciate if you can tell us more details.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Dennis Ls M Cruz" <stclaire5000@...>
wrote:
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391. Re: [de1103] Re: Clock Speed - pictures

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-17 14:17:11 UTC
From: Richard G
Topic: 121 Message: 391

http://www.redsunelect.com/Index_en.asp

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392. Re: Clock Speed - pictures

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-17 15:22:09 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 121 Message: 392

Thanks. Seemingly can find them in Radio Shack. (under different
trade names of course !) True?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Richard G <blklab97@...> wrote:
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393. Re: Locking up after changing batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-17 15:45:24 UTC
From: wgmartin999
Topic: 377 Message: 393

Is this happening if you change the batteries
with the external power supply plugged into the radio?

Or only if you have the radio completely unpowered
while the batteries are out?

If the latter, I'd think that the lockup could be
avoided by attaching the external power during the
battery change.

73, Will

394. Re: [de1103] Re: Locking up after changing batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-17 15:57:23 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 377 Message: 394

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----- Original Message -----
From: "wgmartin999" <wgmartin999@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2006 4:45 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Locking up after changing batteries

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with the external power supply plugged into the radio?

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while the batteries are out?

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The radio wasn't powered from the external supply. It would probably be OK
if it was.

Leon
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395. Re: [de1103] Re: Clock Speed - pictures

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-17 17:54:04 UTC
From: Omar K Neusser
Topic: 121 Message: 395

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and will most probably be an improvement of the DE1103, also in design.

There is a link to a picture of the DE1104,
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396. Redsun Radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-18 00:52:26 UTC
From: Dennis Ls M Cruz
Topic: 121 Message: 396

Here's the link to the Redsun Radio

Redsun Radio

The Redsuns are Interesting looking radios
http://www.redsunelect.com/Index_en.asp

The Redsun RP-2000 kind-a-looks-like an 'improved
Tecsun BCL-2000 with AM Dual Conversion and more . . .
http://www.redsunelect.com/ProductShow_en.asp?ArticleID=112

ABOUT - Redsun Electronics Co. Ltd.
RSE => http://www.redsunelect.com/About_en.asp

Dennis
DV7-BKO the Philippines

397. Re: Clock Speed - pictures

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-17 22:24:48 UTC
From: Sanjaya
Topic: 121 Message: 397

From
http://www.radiointel.com/oldnews.htm
I don't see "SSB" mentioned. Perhaps someone has
definite information about SSB for the 1104?
There are links to a picture of the 1104 there also.

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More Info On The Degen DE1104
Jonathan Lee passes along this info on the DE1104. The DE1104 will
offer the following features:
1. BAND SETTING: FM (3 bands), MW, SW (11 bands) = 15 bands total
2. FM: PLL, manual tuning (50K/step), auto tuning (SCAN and ATS all
100K/step), 3 group memories (12 memories per group) = 36 memories.
3. AM (MW and SW): traditional manual analog, 4 gang filter turning.
Frequency numeric digital display.
4. SW dual conversion receiver
5. SW (11 bands), select band with a key-press
6. FM frequency range: 76-108 MHZ
7. SW frequency: 3.200-21.85 MHZ
8. MW frequency: 520-1710 KHz
9. Tone Control - News/Music switch
10. Super Bass switch
11. Stereo/Mono switch
12. Back Light switch
13. Sleep Timer setting
14. Dual Clock Display (local and UTC)
15. Week Display
16. Double alarm clock and can be made day specific during the week.
17. Signal Strength display
18. DX/Local switch
19. Keypad locking
20. Volume control numeric display
21. Internal Battery Charger
22. Size: same as DE1103:165X105X29(mm)
23. Battery: 4 AA batteries
24. Speaker: 77 mm diameter
25. Battery Strength Display
26. At Turn Off: Display dual clocks, battery strength, week display
27. Ant Input Jack
28. Meter Band Display
29. 6V AC adapter

Other Special Notes about the DE1104:
1. DE1104 is unique with a lot of functions - analog and digital (PLL).
2. Performance claimed to be the same as DE1103 but with a lower price

than the, DE1102, DE1103, DE1105, and only more expensive than DE1107.
Hence it has a high cost/performance ratio.
3. DE1104 will go to market the same time as it does in the U.S. The
U.S. version will have additional Air Band and Weather band function
and will not sell on the China market. From now on new Degen radios
will go to U.S. market at same time as in China.
4. Development of the DE1104 is complete and will go into production
at this time.
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398. Re: Clock Speed - pictures

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-18 14:37:14 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 121 Message: 398

Not many people are interested in SSB receptions in the first place and tuning a SSB station is tricky. More importantly most people are likely blamed the radio's performance rather than themselves when encountered a SSB station. May be this is the reason why the designer (s) deleted the SSB function intensionally for this "Universal" model (not as a HAM's receiver !)to avoid endless complaints to come.

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399. Re: [de1103] Digest Number 91

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-19 05:16:35 UTC
From: Pete
Topic: 399 Message: 399

with hold off. seems to me it doesnt happen if I plug it in the wall
first?

> yup.....every time I change the batteries!
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400. Re: [de1103] Digest Number 91

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-19 10:39:42 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 399 Message: 400

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Pete" <pjt05@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, May 19, 2006 6:16 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Digest Number 91

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> first?
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Adding a large capacitor (perhaps a supercap) across the battery connector
should fix the problem.

Leon

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401. Tuning Knob Problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-22 03:31:26 UTC
From: mushlee
Topic: 401 Message: 401

I had a problem with the tuning knob- it stopped working. I woke up one morning and tried to turn the volume down and nothing happened when I turned the tuning knob and no pushing or pulling would solve the problem, and the lock wasn't on. So I got a little frustrated and decided to open it up myself as I didn't want to go through the trouble of sending it in to be fixed. I essentially moved some wires around and it started working again and still is. I moved the wires that were set into the blob of translucent material; I pulled them down away from the bar running along the top internal. I'm not exactly sure what I did but I am happy that the radio is working again. Has anyone else dealt with a non-functioning tuning knob? It's a great little radio but this problem has me questioning the quality of workmanship, wondering what could go next. And I sure would like to know what I did so I could do it again if needed. Sorry for the lack of terminology when referring to the radio's internals...

402. RE: [de1103] Tuning Knob Problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-22 04:24:58 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 401 Message: 402

Well I don't know about yours, but... My tuning wheel or encoder on my Kaito is just about shot. Degen has replaced (On their new ones) the encoders with one from ALPS electric out of Japan. My new Degen 1103 works great. I think you can order the new encoders from Tao. Or he knows how to get them from Degen. That is about it, just a faulty part on a great radio, Josh

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of mushlee
Sent: Sunday, May 21, 2006 11:31 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Tuning Knob Problem

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403. Re: [de1103] Tuning Knob Problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-22 04:32:49 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 401 Message: 403

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From: "mushlee" <mushlee@...>
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Subject: [de1103] Tuning Knob Problem

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The translucent stuff sounds like hot melt glue. It's often used to secure
wires in low-cost rquipment.

Leon

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404. Re: Tuning Knob Problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-22 14:43:24 UTC
From: alternative3d
Topic: 401 Message: 404

Any idea when degen/kaito first started replacing the encoders from
ALPS?...I want to pick up another 1103 but want to make sure that
the manufacture date has this new encoder...
I am curious as to what month/year I should be looking at to make
sure that ALPS is used...

Thanks

Greg

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405. Re: [de1103] Re: Tuning Knob Problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-22 15:13:45 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 401 Message: 405

From Sep-2005...~~~~~~~

alternative3d <alternative3d@...> wrote: Any idea when degen/kaito first started replacing the encoders from
ALPS?...I want to pick up another 1103 but want to make sure that
the manufacture date has this new encoder...
I am curious as to what month/year I should be looking at to make
sure that ALPS is used...

Thanks

Greg

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
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> Well I don't know about yours, but... My tuning wheel or encoder
on my Kaito
> is just about shot. Degen has replaced (On their new ones) the
encoders with
> one from ALPS electric out of Japan. My new Degen 1103 works
great. I think
> you can order the new encoders from Tao. Or he knows how to get
them from
> Degen. That is about it, just a faulty part on a great radio, Josh
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> From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On
Behalf Of
> mushlee
> Sent: Sunday, May 21, 2006 11:31 PM
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [de1103] Tuning Knob Problem
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406. Re: [de1103] Re: Tuning Knob Problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-22 15:13:47 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 401 Message: 406

----- Original Message -----
From: "alternative3d" <alternative3d@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2006 3:43 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Tuning Knob Problem

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> ALPS?...I want to pick up another 1103 but want to make sure that
> the manufacture date has this new encoder...
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> sure that ALPS is used...

I bought my DE1103 just before last Xmas. It seems fine on that, but I don't know if it is an ALPS unit in it. I've actually got some ALPS encoders, but haven't checked to see if they are the same as the one in the radio. Perhaps it's only the Kaito radios that have the problem.

Leon

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407. RE: [de1103] Re: Tuning Knob Problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-23 00:48:45 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 401 Message: 407

Thanks ~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~LOL

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Tao Qu
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2006 11:14 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Tuning Knob Problem

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408. Antenna connector

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-26 17:01:13 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 408 Message: 408

Hi all,

can you tell me if external antenna connector is only for AM bands or also for FM ??

TNX for help!

Jara Rat

409. Up 30MHz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-26 20:58:35 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 409 Message: 409

Hi all,

how much frequency you can set up 30MHz??

TNX! Jara Rat

410. Re: Antenna connector

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-27 23:21:47 UTC
From: Don
Topic: 408 Message: 410

It's initially only for FM and Shortwave, but if you employ that five digit-coded keyboard entry process mentioned in other posts in this forum you can obtain use of the external antenna input for the AM band. A nice undocumented feature of the 1103, for whichever model you have.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Jara" <krysatec@...> wrote:
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> also for FM ??
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> TNX for help!
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> Jara Rat
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411. Re: Antenna connector

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-28 08:43:27 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 408 Message: 411

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Don" <wa0030swl@...> wrote:
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> digit-coded keyboard entry process mentioned in other posts in this
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> band. A nice undocumented feature of the 1103, for whichever model
you
> have.

Hi!

I have A015058 ... it is new or old version?
I bought it in Moscow, because Degen is not in Europe.
(price cca 116USD)

1/ one problem: I cannot set frequency up 30MHz: procedure from
russian web is good, but step is 5kHz and I cannot stopped it at b0005
... and next step is out from band.

2/ second problem: do you know who tested Degen with RDSdecoder, for
instance RDSdecoder by Conrad? Can I use for instance line output or I
need special output from FM demodulator for RDS?
(I know that RDSdecoder by Conrad work for instance with ATS803A also
from earphone output... and also without connection if you lay decoder
at speaker box from other FM receiver)

3/ a question: do you know input impedancy of external antenna
connector? I think that it is Hi-Z input.
Interesting test: I use other LC circuit (feritte antenna) for 77kHz
time station in Europe and connect it direct to external antenna
input:
and LC circuit work good, and tuning (new feritte antenna) work also
good.

4/ receiving below 100kHz: I had problems with strong signals from MW
band - I use a simple PI circuit with two capacitors 470pF and 3.3mH
inductor to exet. antenna input. You must use also GROUND , not only
antenna! Now I have not problems with signals from MW band and band
below 100kHz is clear.

Regards, Jara Rat

412. Re: Antenna connector

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-28 08:46:56 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 408 Message: 412

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For information: see block schematics at
http://lab.radioscanner.ru/schematics/de1103block.jpg

Here is problem: not input from external antenna connector for FM!

Jara Rat

413. Defective new Kaito KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-28 23:51:05 UTC
From: rcarp5
Topic: 413 Message: 413

I just received my new Kaito KA1103 and it quit working on all bands with the exception of the FM band. I was comparing it to my Kaito 1102 which I have had for a couple of years now and really like. I like the look and feel of the 1103 and the analog tuning capability. I was copying some 40 meter SSB when the radio just quit receiving on the MW and all SW bands. I still have background noise but absolutely no signals. I removed the batteries and also did a reset but to no avail. In the brief time I was able to compare the two radios the 1103 did seem to have the edge on sensitivty. I guess it will go back to Universal Radio for an exchange. I was wondering if anyone else has had this type of problem with 1103. I see that it is a dual conversion receiver and I wonder if it is dual conversion on the FM band or just the MW and SW bands. Thanks

414. R: [de1103] Defective new Kaito KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-29 10:28:19 UTC
From: lidopasquesi@virgilio.it
Topic: 414 Message: 414

Have you cheked the input mosfet?
Lido
----Messaggio originale----
Da:
rcarp5@...
Data: 29-mag-2006 1.51
A: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Ogg: [de1103] Defective new Kaito KA1103

415. DE1103 and preselector

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-05-29 22:21:32 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 415 Message: 415

Hi all,
I tested my DE1103 with my homemade preselector and all work very good! (But you must set OFF feritte antenna for LW and MW band!)
Schematics is here (sorry text only in czech language, and you can use other dual gate fet, for instance BF910, BF964 and other...):

http://krysatec-labs.benghi.org/phprs/view.php?cisloclanku=2004092415

and notice: use zener diode 4V7 or 5V1 paralell with RF gain variable resistor! (she is not in schematics...)

regards, Jara "Rat"

I send you my tests new DE1103 and old DX394

and my test:

DE1103 DX394 DX394+ my
AM synchrodemodulator/SSB mixer
with TDA2541

184kHz 2 2 3
408kHz 3 0 1
874kHz 3 3 4
3714kHz 3 2 2
4583kHz 2 0 1
6005kHz 2 3 4
7130kHz 2-3 2 2-3
9545kHz 2 2 3
11700kHz 2 1 2
15100kHz 3 2 3
17490kHz 2 3 4
21610kHz 2 3 4
23620kHz 2 3 3
26602kHz 3 2 3
CB band 3 2 2-3

overall quality ... 0 = no signal

Tested with signal from the same antenna and my homemade active preselector
DE1103 : feritte antenna OFF
DX394: feritte antenna shielded

Immunity: The same for LW and MW band, for SW bands DX394 has better immunity.

416. undocumented feature

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-01 00:11:36 UTC
From: Victor Castano
Topic: 416 Message: 416

Hi all,
I`m interesting in know the undocumented feature of the 1103.

any information?

thanks to all

Victor

417. Re: [de1103] undocumented feature

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-01 07:36:05 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 416 Message: 417

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Victor Castano" <victor-@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2006 1:11 AM
Subject: [de1103] undocumented feature

> Hi all,
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> any information?

There were several earlier posts on those features, try searching the
archives.

Leon
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418. HELP no Sw reception!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-01 10:35:06 UTC
From: Carlo
Topic: 418 Message: 418

Hi guys from Italy, this is a nice group.

I got a problem :

my 2 Degen 1103 not receiving sw bands, one after recharging batteries
and the other just pulled off from the box ,

but Fm bands working good in both radios.

First to resend to Mr Liypn can i solve the problem?

It's a FET problem?

Thank for the help but i'm so disappointed.

Bye from Carlo.

419. Re: [de1103] HELP no Sw reception!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-01 10:59:34 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 418 Message: 419

----- Original Message -----
From: "Carlo" <carlobwqigu@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2006 11:35 AM
Subject: [de1103] HELP no Sw reception!

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Someone else had a similar problem a few days ago. Have you tried resetting
them - the little hole between the Power and Hold buttons? Perhaps Degen's
quality control is deteriorating.

Leon

420. Re: HELP no Sw reception!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-01 11:18:58 UTC
From: Carlo
Topic: 418 Message: 420

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@...> wrote:
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> Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2006 11:35 AM
> Subject: [de1103] HELP no Sw reception!
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Thanks for your replay Leon:
yes i have reset it many times, but nothing change.
I use this method: batteries inserted, hold Power + hold buttons +
reset point at the same time it's correct?
Can you explain me the right reset?

Bye and thanks again.

421. Re: [de1103] Re: HELP no Sw reception!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-01 11:31:21 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 418 Message: 421

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Carlo" <carlobwqigu@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2006 12:18 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: HELP no Sw reception!

> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@...> wrote:
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When I had a problem after changing the batteries I just pressed Reset. I think the radio was turned off at the time. The memories were left intact but the clock was reset.

It does sound as if the radios are faulty and need to be returned. Of course, the problems might be due to simple faults like poor solder joints that could be easily fixed.

Leon

422. Re: HELP no Sw reception!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-01 12:13:48 UTC
From: Sanjaya
Topic: 418 Message: 422

Do the radios work on Medium Wave and Long Wave?
Liypn once told me he tests all radios before shipping. Assuming
that is still true your radios worked properly when shipped.
Perhaps the radios were dropped during shipping and something
has come loose. Leon suggests if that is the case it would
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423. Re: HELP no Sw reception!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-01 12:35:14 UTC
From: Carlo
Topic: 418 Message: 423

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Sanjaya" <sanjaya_49@...> wrote:
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> that is still true your radios worked properly when shipped.
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> has come loose. Leon suggests if that is the case it would
> be an easy fix.

Thanks Sanjaya:
no, no reception, the radios don't
work on both Medium Wave and Long Wave.

Bye

424. Re: [de1103] Re: HELP no Sw reception!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-01 13:00:29 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 418 Message: 424

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Sanjaya" <sanjaya_49@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2006 1:13 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: HELP no Sw reception!

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Finding the fault could be difficult. Fixing it should be easy.

Leon
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425. IF filters 10.7MHz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-04 07:41:39 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 425 Message: 425

Hi all,

I want change IF filters 10.7MHz - I need not "hi-fi" stereo but I need better selectivity. Do you know anybody who tested it and do you have any photos and good advices for me?

Did you tested also signal from pin 19 of TA2057 for external RDS decoder?

Idea: I think that we can use connector "line out" for mono FM and AM audio out and also for output for RDS decoder...

Many thanks for help!

Best regards, Jara "Rat"

PS.: I heard yesterday many stations from Turkey with only telescope antenna! (E sporadic layer...)

Sorry, I speak english a little, I learnt english 25y ago.

426. Re: PK MW Loop Antenna cross post

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-04 12:55:22 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 330 Message: 426

I've had my PK AM loop antenna for a couple of weeks now, and I am very happy with it. It doesn't perform miracles, but it does pull in extremely weak stations enough to be able to listen to. I've been able to tune into a few low power broadcast stations over 100 miles away that I've never heard before.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nash" <nash2042004@...> wrote:
>
> Has anyone tried out the PK MW loop antenna with a Tecsun or Degen
> radio?
>
> I've looked at the Terk and Select A Tenna on Ebay already. Just
> wondering if one model stands out from the others, or are they all
> just about the same.
>

427. Re: IF filters 10.7MHz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-04 16:50:01 UTC
From: Uwe Schubert
Topic: 425 Message: 427

Hi Jara,

there is a very active - however German speaking - forum at:

http://www.ukwtv.de/foren/index.html

Do a search for "Etón E5 Testbericht" and you will find a thread from DX-Timo (Date:23.04.2006) with a description (and nice pictures) how to change FM-filters in the E5.
The DE1103 has (almost) the same pcb-layout as the E5, but it is even a little more difficult to desolder one of the filters as there are two additional SMD-devices directly connected to it!

Good luck!
Uwe

PS: In another thread they are going to make an omnibus order for small FM-IF-filters (110/83/56 kHz). Perhaps you can join in there! Search for: "Neue Sammelbestellung ZF-Filter".

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> have any photos and good advices for me?
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428. Hot Wall Wart and ECSS tuning

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-04 20:10:29 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 428 Message: 428

Hi,
My wall wart seems to be pretty hot when charging. Is this normal or do our radios have exploding wallwarts?

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429. Re: Hot Wall Wart and ECSS tuning

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-05 01:59:16 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 428 Message: 429

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430. Re: Hot Wall Wart and ECSS tuning

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-05 02:09:23 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 428 Message: 430

As an afterthought did u use "Rechargeable batteries" ? (Not ordinary
Alkali batteries) Again if this is the case use the correct typies
as mentioned in the user manual.

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431. Re: IF filters 10.7MHz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-05 11:28:39 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 425 Message: 431

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Uwe Schubert" <schuwe12@...> wrote:
>
> Hi Jara,
>
> there is a very active - however German speaking - forum at:
>
> http://www.ukwtv.de/foren/index.html
>
> Do a search for "Etón E5 Testbericht" and you will find a thread
from
> DX-Timo (Date:23.04.2006) with a description (and nice pictures) how
to
> change FM-filters in the E5.
> The DE1103 has (almost) the same pcb-layout as the E5, but it is
even a
> little more difficult to desolder one of the filters as there are
two
> additional SMD-devices directly connected to it!
>
> Good luck!
> Uwe
>
> PS: In another thread they are going to make an omnibus order for
small
> FM-IF-filters (110/83/56 kHz). Perhaps you can join in there! Search
> for: "Neue Sammelbestellung ZF-Filter".
>
> --- In de1103@...m, "Jara" <krysatec@> wrote:
> >
> > Hi all,
> >
> > I want change IF filters 10.7MHz - I need not "hi-fi" stereo but I
> > need better selectivity. Do you know anybody who tested it and do
you
> > have any photos and good advices for me?
> >
> >
>

TNX for help! Jara Rat

432. Re: Defective new Kaito KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-05 11:44:58 UTC
From: dlambfra
Topic: 413 Message: 432

I've had exactly the same symptoms with a DE1103. The only solution is to remove all batteries and power for 48 hours, so that the radio is drained of all residual power and resets properly. Mine worked again afterwards, but has just gone belly-up again, so I'm in for another 48-hour 'downtime'. It'd be nice to find a way to accelerate this process or find a permanent fix, or even better for Degen/Kaito to address this bug so that it doesn't happen in the first place!

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "rcarp5" <rcarp5@...> wrote:
>
> I just received my new Kaito KA1103 and it quit working on all bands
> with the exception of the FM band. I was comparing it to my Kaito 1102
> which I have had for a couple of years now and really like. I like the
> look and feel of the 1103 and the analog tuning capability. I was
> copying some 40 meter SSB when the radio just quit receiving on the MW
> and all SW bands. I still have background noise but absolutely no
> signals. I removed the batteries and also did a reset but to no avail.
> In the brief time I was able to compare the two radios the 1103 did
> seem to have the edge on sensitivty. I guess it will go back to
> Universal Radio for an exchange. I was wondering if anyone else has
> had this type of problem with 1103. I see that it is a dual conversion
> receiver and I wonder if it is dual conversion on the FM band or just
> the MW and SW bands. Thanks
>

433. Re: HELP no Sw reception!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-05 11:38:46 UTC
From: dlambfra
Topic: 418 Message: 433

Hi Carlo,

I just bought a Degen DE1103 from Mr Liypn too, and unfortunately I've encountered exactly the same problem as you.

I received the radio, unpacked it and started playing around with it, and was pleasantly surprised by the number of stations it picked up. Unfortunately, three minutes later, something switched and I could no longer pick up anything on any band aside from FM. When I told Liypn about it, he suggested removing the batteries and any power supply and leaving the radio like this for 24 hours, then trying again, after having pressed the 'reset' button. I did this twice, no luck. I then left the radio a full 48 hours, and it worked again.

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So if anyone has any ideas for solving this problem, or even for accelerating the 'full discharge' method that makes the radio reset properly, I'd be all ears!

Thanks
Duncan

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Carlo" <carlobwqigu@...> wrote:
>
>
> Hi guys from Italy, this is a nice group.
>
> I got a problem :
>
> my 2 Degen 1103 not receiving sw bands, one after recharging batteries
> and the other just pulled off from the box ,
>
> but Fm bands working good in both radios.

>
> First to resend to Mr Liypn can i solve the problem?
>
> It's a FET problem?
>
> Thank for the help but i'm so disappointed.
>
> Bye from Carlo.
>

434. Charging times

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-05 14:34:41 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 434 Message: 434

Hi,
Anyone know how long this thing has to charge to give like 12 hrs of battery use? I was dissappointed that Yesterday I charged for 3 hrs and only got about 2 hrs of use. I use the backlight alot though as i'm visually impaired with some vision. Maybe that's what it is no?

TIA

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435. Re: [de1103] Re: Hot Wall Wart and ECSS tuning

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-05 14:39:20 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 428 Message: 435

Hmm.. Not sure if it's very hot or not, as it seems no hotter than my laptop's power brick when it's been charging. Yesterday was it's first charge too. I'm camping so I've not had a chance to give it a long charge yet to see how it is.

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436. Re: [de1103] Charging times

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-05 14:57:15 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 434 Message: 436

----- Original Message -----
From: "Pete Nalda" <lpnalda@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, June 05, 2006 3:34 PM
Subject: [de1103] Charging times

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I take the batteries out and charge them in a standard charger. You probably need to charge them for longer.

Leon

437. Re: [de1103] Charging times

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-05 15:28:07 UTC
From: Jurgen Frenz
Topic: 434 Message: 437

according to the manual a full charge from zero takes
13 hours (or was it fourteen?). Other people suggested
to rather use an external charger because the in-built
is too rudimentary.

--- Leon Heller <leon.heller@...> wrote:

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> From: "Pete Nalda" <lpnalda@...>
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438. Re: [de1103] Charging times

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-05 17:30:53 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 434 Message: 438

On Jun 5, 2006, at 10:28 AM, Jurgen Frenz wrote:

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> 13 hours (or was it fourteen?). Other people suggested
> to rather use an external charger because the in-built
> is too rudimentary.

Ok, that's what I needed to know. Also thanks for the suggestions
everyone. The manual's kind of cryptic IMHO. Hard to read too.
Print is really small.

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439. RE: [de1103] Digest Number 102

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-05 18:39:25 UTC
From: Phil Pasteur
Topic: 439 Message: 439

FROM:
http://www.knls.org/English/trascripts/dxdef04.htm#Zero

Zero Beat Tuning

Zero Beat tuning, also called ECSS tuning, is a method used by Dxers to increase the readability of a poor AM signal. It requires the use of the receiver's single sideband mode or beat frequency oscillator, also called the BFO. It's the same as tuning in an AM station like it was a single sideband transmission. Some Dxers prefer using the Sideband mode or the BFO while tuning across a band. Each station creates a tone sweeping from one end of the scale to the other as the receiver tunes by, even on stations too weak to produce audio. Zero beat tuning is accomplished by carefully tuning in on the center of a station so that the tone goes down in scale, stopping just at the point where the tone disappears. This point is called the zero beat. At this point the station's audio will become intelligible once again. In some cases this tuning method will improve the readability of the station. In sideband most receivers are using their most narrow bandwidth filters for increased selectivity. Fading and flutter is reduced because the receiver is placing its own steady carrier wave over that of the station. And the heterodyne note produced by a pair of stations too close together can be eliminated by properly zero beating on the desired station. Zero beating also allows measurement of the station's frequency with the greatest accuracy because the zero beat is on the exact center frequency of the station. On the minus side, music cannot be enjoyed in its full range this way.

In other words, there is no requirement for any computer interface to use ECSS! People have been using the technique for many years before any radio had a computer interface built in to it.

Having said that, I have not had a great deal of success using the SSB mode on my 1103 for ECSS tuning. I believe that it actually tunes *both* sidebands anytime it is in SSB mode. This may be part of the problem, because you cannot select the specific sideband, and the filter does not change, the advantage of being able to use the features to tune away from adjacent channel interference is limited. Besides this I have not found the BFO to be easy to adjust, period. Many times I have given up on listening to SSB ham conversations because there was not enough time during each transmission to get the radio adjusted to hear both sides of the conversation.

Another thing that I noticed when trying to listen to AM stations with ECSS is that the volume is much lower when SSB is selected. When the finicky BFO control and the loss of audio level are taken together, I always end up just leaving the radio set for AM listening (SSB off) when tuning to an AM

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Message: 3
Date: Sun Jun 4, 2006 6:59 pm (PDT)
From: "knyuen88" knyuen88@...
Subject: Re: Hot Wall Wart and ECSS tuning

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440. Re: [de1103] Digest Number 102

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-05 19:28:10 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 439 Message: 440

----- Original Message -----
From: "Phil Pasteur" <ppasteur@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, June 05, 2006 7:39 PM
Subject: RE: [de1103] Digest Number 102

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It used to be called 'exalted carrier detection' when I first came across it 40 years ago, I just checked and that is what the EC stands for. Synchronous detection as used on the Sony radios is similar, but easier to use.

Leon

441. Defective Degen DE1103 & Kaito's (& temporary fix)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-06 06:02:48 UTC
From: Duncan Lamb
Topic: 441 Message: 441

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Thanks
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442. RE: [de1103] Defective Degen DE1103 & Kaito's (& temporary fix)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-06 06:18:40 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 441 Message: 442

Wow how many of you are there? Gheez, I just got mine in april from Tao Qu (Radio and Component) on ebay.No problems at all (knock on wood) Sounds like a bad batch. My 2004 Kaito1103 has the tuning shuttle problem.

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Duncan Lamb
Sent: Tuesday, June 06, 2006 2:03 AM
To: DE1103
Subject: [de1103] Defective Degen DE1103 & Kaito's (& temporary fix)

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443. 17 meters

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-07 01:13:41 UTC
From: Don
Topic: 443 Message: 443

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don

444. Re: 17 meters

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-07 03:03:05 UTC
From: Jim Hackett
Topic: 443 Message: 444

Am I missing something? You don't need to "trick" it, Punch in 18068
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445. Re: [de1103] Re: 17 meters

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-07 03:35:59 UTC
From: Paulo Roberto Gomes Cabral
Topic: 443 Message: 445

In my DEGEN DE-1103 I do the same and I have no problem to receive these frequencies - no problem 000khz to 29999khz , SSB or AM - Any frequency I want only punch in the frequency or using the memory of the trick code - With the trick code 000khz to almost 35000khz - With the trick code the counter goes 39999khz , but the signals only util 35000khz

73

Paulo Cabral -
Vila Velha - Espírito Santo - Brazil
Latitude 20º , 20' e 12" S
Longitude 40º , 17' e 28" W

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446. RE: [de1103] Re: 17 meters

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-07 03:48:33 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 443 Message: 446

Yeah you just have to manually punch in the numbers! This radio is continual
from 000 to 30mhz. with the easter egg!

-----Original Message-----
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Sent: Tuesday, June 06, 2006 11:03 PM
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447. Re: [de1103] 17 meters

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-07 04:04:53 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 443 Message: 447

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From: Don
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, June 07, 2006 2:13 AM
Subject: [de1103] 17 meters

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Just key in 18068 directly using the numeric keys. You could put it in one of the memories.

Leon

448. Re: 17 meters

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-07 11:36:06 UTC
From: Don
Topic: 443 Message: 448

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@...> wrote:
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Thanks for the replies - I guess I just had a mental block and got
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449. RE: [de1103] Re: 17 meters

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-07 12:39:35 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 443 Message: 449

We all do that Don. :-)

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Don
Sent: Wednesday, June 07, 2006 7:36 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: 17 meters

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450. Radio won't turn on

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-08 18:41:49 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 450 Message: 450

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-Mike

451. Re: Radio won't turn on

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-09 10:47:39 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 450 Message: 451

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mike" <rfgenerator@...> wrote:
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(It work good with ATS803A...)

For instance: one my Degen work good but I cannot change volume!
After I set clock, volume work good...

Jara Rat

452. RDS connector

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-09 11:00:53 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 452 Message: 452

Hi all,

I use Degen with external RDS decoder now. My new connector is female jack 3.5mm near connector for external 6V input. (sorry, I have not photo now) I use shielded wire and condenser cca 15nF. Shield you connect near connector to ground and wire via capacitor 15nF to pin 19 of TA2057. I know that will be better remove capacitor 330pF from pin 19 (I think it is number C 209) but I have not courage remove also all PCB with feritte antenna because my eyes are not good...
Sorry, I learnt english 25y ago..

Regards!
Jara Rat

RDS decoder is with simple preamplifier (with one transistor) and TDA7330 and software is from www.esslinger.de

453. Re: Radio won't turn on

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-09 11:04:23 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 450 Message: 453

The reset button does work because when I press it the clock
dissappears and when I release it the clock is set to "0:00".
Unfortunately I am not able to set the clock at this point.
If the 48 hour w/o power and batteries doesn't work I'll try your
suggestion of the connecting the plus and minus tabs on the battery
(w/o batteries or the AC Adapter connected) and see if that works.

Thank you for your suggestion.

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454. Re:[de1103] Re: Radio won't turn on

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-09 14:51:45 UTC
From: duncan.lamb
Topic: 450 Message: 454

I'll try that too - my DE1103 is still in its second huffy phase, and even 48 hours with no power hasn't worked this time. Of course, to find that out I had to insert batteries, thus I have to start another 48-hour period from scratch. Perhaps the 'connecting terminals together' method will accelerate things (can but hope). At this rate, despite the heavy postage costs to China (24 Euros), the radio may soon be going back to Liypn for replacement (but what if the replacement's the same?!!)...

Duncan

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455. Jog dial is out of sync...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-10 13:30:02 UTC
From: war4prez2002
Topic: 455 Message: 455

For some reason the main dial is out of sync with the steps. Usually when moving down sometimes it actually goes UP...when moving up it isn't nearly as bad. I can still manually put in frequencies but this is getting annoying.....fast!

If I need to open it up and adjust something (i.e. hack it) then that's not a problem as technically this is the degen version so I can't exactly return it anyway...

456. Re: Jog dial is out of sync...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-10 14:23:17 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 455 Message: 456

It is a simple multi-contacts switch. Likely you can open it up and clean/bent those questionable contacts. However like any worn out switch the best way is replacing them.(it is not an expensive item. Believed is made by "ALP") Good luck!

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457. Re: [de1103] Jog dial is out of sync...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-10 14:49:00 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 455 Message: 457

----- Original Message -----
From: "war4prez2002" <war4prez2002@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2006 2:30 PM
Subject: [de1103] Jog dial is out of sync...

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There was a problem with the rotary encoder on some of the Kaito radios, perhaps you have a similar problem.

Leon

458. RE: [de1103] Jog dial is out of sync...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-10 18:59:33 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 455 Message: 458

You need the new jog wheel encoder. From ALPS! You need to write Degen and see where they can be had.

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of war4prez2002
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2006 9:30 AM
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Subject: [de1103] Jog dial is out of sync...

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459. Eton E 10 or 100 Compaired to DE 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-11 00:10:51 UTC
From: kitkatjt
Topic: 459 Message: 459

Well I have examples of all. I wonder has anyone tested the DE 1103 against the E 10 or E 100 like I have? Which one performed the best for you?

460. RE: [de1103] Eton E 10 or 100 Compaired to DE 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-11 02:08:47 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 459 Message: 460

If it don't have ssb, don't want it!

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of kitkatjt
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2006 8:11 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Eton E 10 or 100 Compaired to DE 1103

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461. Re: Eton E 10 or 100 Compaired to DE 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-11 14:22:47 UTC
From: a1aop
Topic: 459 Message: 461

I find the E10 to as sensitive as the 1103, though with it's single conversion and where I live, it's more prone to interference and images. The IF feature helps a little. To be honest, if it wasn't on closeout at RS, I probably wouldn't have gotten it since smaller, cheaper double conversion radios like the 1103 and 1102 with ssb are available, which I own and cherish? Still it has a fine quality case, nice easy ergonomics, 500 memories (wow!) and the best audio of the aforementioned portables. Since I'm a ham, ssb/cw is important to me, but I was a SWL first, and this a fine rx even without that capability for those who don't need that feature. 73, Jerry.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "kitkatjt" <kitkatjt@...> wrote:

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462. Re: Eton E 10 or 100 Compaired to DE 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-12 01:28:20 UTC
From: jallenhartford
Topic: 459 Message: 462

I find the DE1103 more sensitive than the E-10 or E-100, especially on AM. The E-10 is not as bad on SW as it is on AM which adds a lot of hiss to weaker AM stations. It does have awesome sound though. Overall I pick the De-1103 as the best of the group and the E-5 is at least as good as the DE-1103 with better ergonomics.

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463. Re: Eton E 10 or 100 Compaired to DE 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-12 04:44:09 UTC
From: kitkatjt
Topic: 459 Message: 463

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wrote:
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> Jay
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> I have great fondness for the Eton radios.They seem to be neck and
neck with the DE 1103.The E 100 is more sensitive then the DE 1105
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around 25.00.The big lack is the SB like the 1103.
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466. Line out jack for phones

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-13 16:59:26 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 466 Message: 466

I too suffer from some distortion but I think most of it is from fading. As an experiment I plugged phones into the line out jack last night. I think distortion was still pretty harsh. The volume wasn't quite as loud as I would like. My hearing is not so good anymore so maybe your ears are better and the volume out would be fine. So take a listen with your phones plugged in to that hole. I'm probably going to order the Kiwa mods and install myself.

73
Bob
N9NEO

467. Re: Charging times

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-13 17:02:42 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 434 Message: 467

I dunno,

I usually wait till radio shuts off by itself and then charge for 8 hours. I should really get a charger and another pair of batts. I think a real charger will shut off when battery at the top of charge. Maybe Degen's next revision will have better charger. Love the radio otherwise.

NEO

-- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Pete Nalda <lpnalda@...> wrote:
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> battery use? I was dissappointed that Yesterday I charged for 3
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> TIA
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> "Egun On, Lagunak!" (Basque for G'day Mates)
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469. RE: [de1103] Digest Number 110

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-14 14:32:30 UTC
From: Phil Pasteur
Topic: 469 Message: 469

Bob,
I did the Kiwa mods including the audio drive resistors, the audio caps and the ESD diode protection network for the antenna. Now, my radio was pretty darn bad when I first got it as far as the audio goes. Now it sounds very good. The internal speaker is a big limitation when using it that way, but after the mods it is listenable. Through a good set of ear buds or connected to some small (Logitech s-100 $9.00) powered computer speakers, it sounds great. When I first got the radio and compared it to my Sony 7600GR, it sounded like junk. Now I actually prefer the sound of the Kaito 1103. It is less muffled and intelligibility of weak signals is better than with the Sony. It seems that some of the radios did not suffer as mine did from the nasty sound, but if you think that you have a distortion problem or want better audio in general, it is worth doing.

Note: see the audioMods-1103.txt document in the files section written by Gary Thorburn and verify your resistor values before doing that mod. It seems that some radios have the correct parts installed, some do not.

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I soldered 2K resistors across R223 and R224 to bring the effective resistance to approx 1K. I'll call this the "KD1TE" mod, for my ham radio call sign. The result, combined with the Kiwa audio mod, is a very nice sounding radio. Of course, you don't need the KD1TE mod if you have the correct resistors already. The Kiwa mod alone will sound just fine.

Pete,
As to the internal battery charger, I read a review on Radiointel on the Eton E5 which apparently has the same charging circuit as the 1103. The author said that if you were using 1100 mA-h batteries it would take 11

hours for a full charge. 2300 mA-h batteries, 23 hours. I have never tested to see what a full charge on my 2500 mA-h batteries will provide, nor do I know what capacity your batteries are. Just to give you an idea, I read that AA alkaline batteries typically give about 4 hours of use in this radio. These commonly are rated around 1800 mA-h. If your NiMH batteries have the same rating (lets ignore the fact that the NiMH batteries have a much flatter voltage curve over their discharge period and put out typically about 1.2 V instead of the 1.5 V of alkalines)... From full discharge you would have to charge your batteries in the radio for 18 hours to get four hours of use from the radio. This gives you a rough estimate.

The best thing you could do is to get an external charger and a second set (or two) of NiMH batteries (perhaps some of the newer 2500 to 2700 mA-h units). A good charging unit can recharge the batteries in 2 to 4 hours and keep them on a trickle after that to keep them topped up. This way you could always have a set ready to go before the set in the radio were discharged.

Phil P.

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470. Re: Digest Number 110

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-14 17:03:20 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 469 Message: 470

Hi Phil,

Thanks for the head's up! I'll read Gary's files and for sure pay attention to the resistor pair when I open her up. My main receiver in the shack is a R75, so I'm no stranger to distorted audio. I've got a couple of Boatanchors that'll do me right until I get the moola to send R75 over to Kiwa. Hell, if the DE1103 mods go smoothly down on the bench I might tackle the R75 myself.

Glad to be a member of this group - tnx to everyone for the fine posts.

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> I soldered 2K resistors across R223 and R224 to bring the
> effective resistance to approx 1K. I'll call this the "KD1TE"
> mod, for my ham radio call sign. The result, combined with
> the Kiwa audio mod, is a very nice sounding radio. Of course,
> you don't need the KD1TE mod if you have the correct resistors
> already. The Kiwa mod alone will sound just fine.
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> Pete,
> As to the internal battery charger, I read a review on Radiointel
on the
> Eton E5 which apparently has the same charging circuit as the
1103. The
> author said that if you were using 1100 mA-h batteries it would
take 11
> hours for a full charge. 2300 mA-h batteries, 23 hours. I have
never tested
> to see what a full charge on my 2500 mA-h batteries will provide,
nor do I
> know what capacity your batteries are. Just to give you an idea, I
read that
> AA alkaline batteries typically give about 4 hours of use in this
radio.
> These commonly are rated around 1800 mA-h. If your NiMH batteries
have the
> same rating (lets ignore the fact that the NiMH batteries have a
much

> flatter voltage curve over their discharge period and put out
typically
> about 1.2 V instead of the 1.5 V of alkalines)... From full
discharge you
> would have to charge your batteries in the radio for 18 hours to
get four
> hours of use from the radio. This gives you a rough estimate.
>
> The best thing you could do is to get an external charger and a
second set
> (or two) of NiMH batteries (perhaps some of the newer 2500 to 2700
mA-h
> units). A good charging unit can recharge the batteries in 2 to 4
hours and
> keep them on a trickle after that to keep them topped up. This way
you could
> always have a set ready to go before the set in the radio were
discharged.
>
> Phil P.
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>
> 1. Line out jack for phones
> Posted by: "yzordderrex2003" yzordderrex2003@...
yzordderrex2003
> Date: Tue Jun 13, 2006 10:14 am (PDT)
>
>
> I too suffer from some distortion but I think most of it is from
> fading. As an experiment I plugged phones into the line out jack
last
> night. I think distortion was still pretty harsh. The volume
wasn't
> quite as loud as I would like. My hearing is not so good anymore
so
> maybe your ears are better and the volume out would be fine. So
take
> a listen with your phones plugged in to that hole. I'm probably
going
> to order the Kiwa mods and install myself.
>
> 73
> Bob
> N9NEO
>
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>

> 2. Re: Charging times
> Posted by: "yzordderrex2003" yzordderrex2003@...
yzordderrex2003
> Date: Tue Jun 13, 2006 10:18 am (PDT)
>
> I dunno,
>
> I usually wait till radio shuts off by itself and then charge for
8
> hours. I should really get a charger and another pair of batts.
I
> think a real charger will shut off when battery at the top of
charge.
> Maybe Degen's next revision will have better charger. Love the
radio
> otherwise.
>
> NEO
>
> -- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Pete Nalda <lpnalda@> wrote:
>
> Hi,
> Anyone know how long this thing has to charge to give like 12 hrs
> of battery use? I was dissappointed that Yesterday I charged for
3
> hrs and only got about 2 hrs of use. I use the backlight alot
though
> as i'm visually impaired with some vision. Maybe that's what it
is no?
>
> TIA
>
> "Egun On, Lagunak!" (Basque for G'day Mates)
> Pete Nalda
>

471. KA1103 Date Codes?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-14 18:44:20 UTC
From: dcriner
Topic: 471 Message: 471

I have a new KA1103 from Universal Radio. No hint of audio distortion.

There is a small sticker inside the battery compartment that reads:
A1029443. Is this a serial number or a date code?

472. RE: [de1103] KA1103 Date Codes?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-14 21:40:11 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 471 Message: 472

both

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of dcriner
Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2006 2:44 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] KA1103 Date Codes?

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There is a small sticker inside the battery compartment that reads: A1029443. Is this a serial number or a date code?

473. Re: Radio won't turn on (update)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-14 23:17:42 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 450 Message: 473

Okay, I've now had the radio sitting with no batteries and no power for 3 days. Today I turned it on and it is working fine. Presets were still present, clock of course had to be reset. Will see how long it behaves before it needs another long weekend of rest ;-)..

-Mike

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mike" <rfgenerator@...> wrote:
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> until this morning when I went to turn it on. It would not turn on,
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> backlight either. It acted as if none of the buttons on the front
> worked (i.e. if I pushed the "vol" button I wouldn't get the state of
> the battery charge). After playing with it for several minutes it came
> on, but couldn't be tuned, or the volume adjusted, or even turned off.
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> Removed the batteries and put them back in. No luck. Removed the
> batteries and put it on the AC Adapter/Charger, clock came on but no
> radio. Hit the "reset" button, which reset the clock but still no
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> w/o power for 48 hours and will see what happens on the other side.
> Any hope for this one, or is it as I fear now a clock that I can't even
> set :-(?
>
> -Mike
>

474. Re: [de1103] Re: Radio won't turn on (update)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-15 06:04:24 UTC
From: Duncan Lamb
Topic: 450 Message: 474

My second (and third) stint of radio 'power starvation' for 48 hours rendered no results this time - SW and MW were still just static with no stations. So I mailed the radio back to Hong Kong for replacement yesterday (at 2/3 rds of its price)! Hope the replacement works a charm...

Duncan

Mike wrote:
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> for 3 days. Today I turned it on and it is working fine. Presets
> were still present, clock of course had to be reset. Will see how
> long it behaves before it needs another long weekend of rest ;-)..
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> -Mike
>
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475. Need schematic in pdf maybe

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-15 16:23:11 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 475 Message: 475

I am going to try and print out schematic on C or D size paper at work. I know I can pring PDF, but not too sure if I can do jpeg. Is schema available in pdf do you know?

476. Re: Need schematic in pdf maybe

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-15 20:20:45 UTC
From: dcriner
Topic: 475 Message: 476

This approach worked for me:

Download the jpeg file. Right click on image, save image. Then go to saved image, right click, select "open with." I used Adobe Photoshop Elements, but any photo program should work. Then resize to fill the paper, and print.

477. Re: Need schematic in pdf maybe

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-15 23:51:43 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 475 Message: 477

I had asked my pc board designer to plot it out for me and he gave me
I think B size drawing and also pdf files for main and cpu
schematics. I wonder if I should post pdf files.

Anyway they don't look too horribly complicated.

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NEO

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> Elements, but any photo program should work. Then resize to fill the
> paper, and print.
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478. Re: [de1103] Re: Need schematic in pdf maybe

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-16 01:33:23 UTC
From: k6yaz@aol.com
Topic: 475 Message: 478

In a message dated 6/15/2006 5:01:31 P.M. Pacific Daylight Time,
yzordderrex2003@... writes:

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I think B size drawing and also pdf files for main and cpu
schematics. I wonder if I should post pdf files.

Any good documentation would be welcome.

Stuart

479. RE: [de1103] Re: Need schematic in pdf maybe

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-16 02:02:41 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 475 Message: 479

Please do..

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of yzordderrex2003
Sent: Thursday, June 15, 2006 7:52 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: Need schematic in pdf maybe

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> saved image, right click, select "open with." I used Adobe Photoshop
> Elements, but any photo program should work. Then resize to fill the
> paper, and print.
>

480. Re: Need schematic in pdf maybe

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-16 03:22:07 UTC
From: Jay Lackritz
Topic: 475 Message: 480

I posted the schematics that are already in the files section as a PDF file. I'm not sure if these schematics are what you were looking for.

Anyway, there is a new file in the files area called schematics.pdf
It contains the two schematics in both 8.5 x 11 inches and 11 x 17 inches.

Re:
http://tinyurl.com/osbke

If there's any others you need as pdf, just let me know.

Best, J

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "yzordderrex2003" <yzordderrex2003@...>
wrote:
>
> I am going to try and print out schematic on C or D size paper at
> work. I know I can pring PDF, but not too sure if I can do jpeg. Is
> schema available in pdf do you know?
>

481. Re: KA1103 Date Codes?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-17 09:57:02 UTC
From: alternative3d
Topic: 471 Message: 481

Does this number include the manufacture date?...Can't seem to make
any since out of it unless it is just the radios serial number...

Greg

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
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> both
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> From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On
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> Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2006 2:44 PM
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> Subject: [de1103] KA1103 Date Codes?
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482. Re: [de1103] Re: KA1103 Date Codes?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-17 10:22:49 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 471 Message: 482

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----- Original Message -----
From: "alternative3d" <alternative3d@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 17, 2006 10:57 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: KA1103 Date Codes?

> Does this number include the manufacture date?...Can't seem to make
> any since out of it unless it is just the radios serial number...

It looks like a serial number. They usually start at something like 10000
rather than zero, as it looks better.

Leon
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483. Re: Radio won't turn on (update)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-21 18:51:17 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 450 Message: 483

and now several days after it started working again, it's back to the
same problem. Won't turn on. Anybody come up with a way to shorten
up the period of "power starvation"? I've tried removing the
batteries and shorting the battery contacts, as well as holding the
reset button down for several minutes. Neither of those do the trick.
Is there another way perhaps in the radio circuit board to really
quickly drain all the power out?

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484. RE: [de1103] Re: Radio won't turn on (update)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-21 19:11:39 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 450 Message: 484

Go ahead and get the Kiwa mods and while they doing that they might just fix
er for you! Ok just kidding

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Mike
Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2006 2:51 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: Radio won't turn on (update)

and now several days after it started working again, it's back to the
same problem. Won't turn on. Anybody come up with a way to shorten
up the period of "power starvation"? I've tried removing the
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Is there another way perhaps in the radio circuit board to really
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485. Re: Radio won't turn on (update)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-21 21:39:47 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 450 Message: 485

Please recall if troubles began every time when started programing
certain specific functions. If this is the case avoid to repeat them
next time.
Since trouble(s) recurred all the times and needed to do over and
over again to "reset to default"(I mean removing the batteries for
days --- NOT simply press the reset key !) Highly suspect when
pressing certain command keys at wrong sequences, you were messing up
the DE1103's microprocessor program(s) (computer hung-
up/overflows .... the DE1103 microprocessor may not be very
forgivable !) Hope this helps.

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486. Re: Radio won't turn on (update)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-21 22:52:25 UTC
From: dcriner
Topic: 450 Message: 486

The various buttons on the front panel are connected to the main circuit through a flat, multi-conductor cable. My theory is that perhaps this cable is making intermittent contact.

To check this, remove the 7? self-tapping chassis screws. (Don't remove the one screw that is immediately below the telescoping antenna.)

Separate the two case halves. If necessary, unsolder the two leads to the speaker so you can get better access. Wiggle around the flat cable and see if that makes a difference. If necessary, gently pull the cable out of the connector, and re-insert.

Good luck.

487. Re: Radio won't turn on (update)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-22 14:11:11 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 450 Message: 487

The problem starts usually after the radio has been sitting turned off for several hours. Nothing unusual that I recall when I turned it off, just touched the power/sleep button. When I go to turn it on I tap the power/sleep button and it just fails to turn on. Sometimes if I keep pulling the batteries out, and holding the reset button it, it will turn on in the FM band but the volume cannot be adjusted and neither can the tuning frequency. The only common element when problem starts is that I had recently used the long wire ant. that comes with it. Next time it comes back to life I think I will stay away from the long ant. and just use the dipole and see if it stays alive longer than one week.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
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> certain specific functions. If this is the case avoid to repeat them
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488. Re: Radio won't turn on (update)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-22 16:20:03 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 450 Message: 488

Mike,
Insert a new set of "Good" batteries in the first place and also check the keyboard cable connections as other member suggested. No harm to try nevertheless. Doubtful if the long wire antenna be a factor to cause problem(s). However it may indicate you are doing a lot of station searches afterwards in different bands of the radio. Did you use the --- "mechanical decoder/frequency tuning knob/jog dial ... whatever you called it !" --- and other function keys a lot then ?
Other than making incorrect program entry sequencies it can not rule out owing to whatever reason(intermittence, worn out/bad contacts, loosen cable ...) a defective jog dial as well as other function keys may "program" the DE1103 function incorrectly. However the LED display screen should likely display "ERR" or, at the worst, weird (garbages) symbol(s)at once -- and this is not your case. Personally believed it was sorts of a weird "lock up" problem. (Saw a "key" sign in the LED screen ?) Needless to say if you can "unlock" it the problem should disappear. Good luck !

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> for several hours. Nothing unusual that I recall when I turned it
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> neither can the tuning frequency. The only common element when
> problem starts is that I had recently used the long wire ant. that
> comes with it. Next time it comes back to life I think I will stay
> away from the long ant. and just use the dipole and see if it stays
> alive longer than one week.

489. Re: Radio won't turn on (some ideas)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-27 17:30:31 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 450 Message: 489

Sorry to hear you got probs with your radio Mike. (I think it is Mike. Sometimes I have a hard time keeping up with thread.) I am not too qualified to comment on what may be wrong. I don't have too much experience with microprocessors, and problem seems likely to be in that area. Seems you have a lot of help here on the group so I will just add my $0.02. I would guess that Degen probably knows what the problem is, but not such a good line of communication between here and the factory - Most companies - especially in Red countries -not too willing to air their dirty laundry.

I would as a last resort try smacking the radio two times. Just slam it down on a tabletop. Just enough force to give it a good spanking without breaking the case. Hopefully you are not at last resort stage yet. I remember my cousin coming over to my house and smacking one of my radios twice and getting it up and running like that. His daddy (uncle Ivan) was a radioman in the USN and he learned that trick from him. I am a EE, so my method to get up and running is quite a bit different. Believe me when I tell you that I have spent hours trying to get a piece of gear up and running. I would surrender and throw my hands up in the air, only to have my technician get in there and tell me 15mins later it was just a loose connection. Look for the obvious probs. Loose connector, broken track, cold solder joint, etc...

One of the problems that the whole electronic industry has been seeing is tin whiskers. Their is a global push to get away from hazardous materials, and lead solder is an early fatality. Seems that the newer design lead free solders have a propensity towards growing little tin whiskers that can short out adjacent pins on high density lead frames. If Degen has recently made the switch then there is a good chance there will be some fallout. I don't really know exactly what it takes to inspect for this prob. We use stereoscopic magnifiers with bright lights. Perhaps you may want to look into this type of prob. Maybe just an acid brush sweeping between the high density connectors and integrated circuits may fix you up.

My method would be to get in there with some test gear and poke around. We have schematics available on site and plenty of the members here are very technical savy. A simple voltmeter might help to pinpont the problem.

Good luck,
Bob
N9NEO

490. Re: Radio won't turn on (some ideas)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-27 18:43:35 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 450 Message: 490

I remember my cousin coming over to my house and smacking one of
> my radios twice and getting it up and running like that. His daddy
> (uncle Ivan) was a radioman in the USN and he learned that trick from
> him.

Unfortunately many people tried such "magic" and ruined their survival equipments due to frustrations --- then "lost at sea" afterwards (die!). Uncle Ivan/USN is lucky to come through ---Just kidding! Even if it worked right away, this is a hit-or-miss approaches. Same problems will resurface sooner or later. Again, trouble shooting microprocessor problems are time consuming(even with sophisticated equipment). Doubtful if most of us have the time and expertise to carry out such tasks.

491. Re: Radio won't turn on (some ideas)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-27 21:27:41 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 450 Message: 491

Yep, smacking the radio twice is a last resort measure. And yes again, opening up the unit may not be for everyone, especially when we consider the probability that the warranty will be void.

I still think the solution may be simple. A loose widget or a renegade tin whisker. Hell, sometimes just taking the thing apart and putting it back together is enough to fix it.

I am curious to see where this story goes.

regards,
Bob
N9NEO

S --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
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> I remember my cousin coming over to my house and smacking one of
> > my radios twice and getting it up and running like that. His
daddy
> > (uncle Ivan) was a radioman in the USN and he learned that trick
from
> > him.
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> Unfortunately many people tried such "magic" and ruined their
survival
> equipments due to frustrations --- then "lost at sea" afterwards
> (die!). Uncle Ivan/USN is lucky to come through ---Just
kidding!
> Even if it worked right away, this is a hit-or-miss approaches.
Same
> problems will resurface sooner or later. Again, trouble shooting
> microprocessor problems are time consuming(even with sophisticated
> equipment). Doubtful if most of us have the time and expertise
to
> carry out such tasks.
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492. Green batterys

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-28 00:40:52 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 492 Message: 492

Are the green batteries that come with the radio Ni-cad? My Radio Shack charger wants to know.

73
NEO

493. RE: [de1103] Green batterys

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-28 01:05:51 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 492 Message: 493

NIMH

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of yzordderrex2003
Sent: Tuesday, June 27, 2006 8:41 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Green batterys

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494. Re: Green batterys

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-28 20:51:48 UTC
From: oi2all
Topic: 492 Message: 494

I just remembered that both radios came with green batteries...
one set was green with markings/legends and indeed says NIMH
BUT the set for the other radio are just plain old GREEN without
any markings of any sort.

I think the radios originate from the same factory in China...so
maybe you got the plain ones...no way to tell if they are nimh or no I
suspect.

I just added a pic of the 2 battery types in the photo section...

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495. Re: Green batterys

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-28 20:39:34 UTC
From: oi2all
Topic: 492 Message: 495

I wondered about them also...
I just stuck em in my cheap little charger I got at wal-mart and it
fast charged them in no time..

The cheapo charger says it handles both nimh and nicad
so I guess its little brain figured it out...least i hope so.

That charger is 16.95 and comes with 4 aa nimhs and 4 aaa nimhs... a
steal!

I will post photos of the charger and the 2 radios I just got in the
photos section after i post this message ...the charger also has a
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I just love these little chinese radios ...

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496. RE: [de1103] Re: Green batterys

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-28 22:31:42 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 492 Message: 496

Yep my Kaito came with plain puke green ones. They are marked with NIMH AA1300mah 1.2v

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From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of oi2all
Sent: Wednesday, June 28, 2006 4:52 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: Green batterys

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497. Re: Green batterys

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-29 14:59:29 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 492 Message: 497

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "oi2all" <oi2all@...> wrote:
Be careful about how fast you charge the Degen batteries. I had a Sanyo 1hr quick charger and the batteries got VERY hot. I ended up getting a Powerex C401FS charger that allows a 5 hour charge time. The batteries never get warmer than skin temperature and they hold a much better charge because each battery gets monitored individually during the charge.

The cheaper chargers tend to over or under charge some batteries because they monitor two or four batteries at a time. High temperature and inefficient charging will certainly kill the Degen batteries before their time.

BTW the batteries are 1300 NiMH.

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498. Re: DE1103 mods on russian site.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-30 09:02:42 UTC
From: g0wqi
Topic: 373 Message: 498

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Don" <wa0030swl@...> wrote:
>
> John -
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> Did the sensitivity below 14khz change any or did it stay the same?
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> don
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>
Hi don sorry for the long delay in replying.
Sensitivity below 14 Mhz sounds the same. (no lab tests)
long wire sensitivity much lower than whip with pre amp avoided but
high up wire very quiet conpared to whip ant inside the house.
hope this helps
John
P.S. Isp troubles at the moment so e-mail replies as and when I can

499. PLL/AGC "Chuffing/Chugging" Odd Even Gain Variations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-30 12:57:13 UTC
From: genesilvernail
Topic: 499 Message: 499

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rather do so as I intend to add modifications to this great receiver and have the gear and desire to do so.

I'm new to this group and really appreciate all the downloads that members have provided...thank you...it really helps.

Gene...Later

500. Re: PLL/AGC "Chuffing/Chugging" Odd Even Gain Variations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-30 14:43:15 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 499 Message: 500

Likely you received one OLD and one NEW model; otherwise it must be a QC/quality control problem.
Please check their serial number as well as any tell-tale difference (Case, antenna mount, the flip over plastic stand, speaker screen (holes patterns), packings/cardboard box, labels, instruction manuals, scratched screws ... etc.)--- the way when shopping for an used car. Heard that the earlier version are troublesome years ago. Please let all us know your foundings.
Hope it helps.
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501. Re: PLL/AGC "Chuffing/Chugging" Odd Even Gain Variations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-06-30 18:38:20 UTC
From: genesilvernail
Topic: 499 Message: 501

I just pulled batteries from both receivers and as I anticipated they are batch brothers with serial numbers AI031448 (bad unit) and AI031454 (good unit).

I believe that in examining the radios prior to shipment the defect could be over looked. Does it receive?...yes. Does it work properly...no. The determination could be done easily with a simple test setup.

Connect the audio output to an audio frequency meter with minimal dampening or integration and set wide enough to detect passband noise. Preferably this should be an analog meter if man-in-loop is used. disconnect antenna(s) by jacking in an empty male connector to the antenna jack. Tune the receiver and observe variations on the meter setting a maximum criteria for accceptance. Perform this on all bands.

This could be automated with a digitized peak sample and hold design connected closed loop to a simple rotary friction drive pad to the receiver jog control permitting a package-sealed test. Checking on one AM band would have revealed my issue maybe not others I feel though. My instance produces at least a 4 to 6 db variation beween odd and even steps while tuning.

The issue has to do with alignment or pcb/trace/pad/component open/short or infantile failure of a component. Appreciate you thoughts...still looking and any idea's would be welcomed.

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502. Re: Radio won't turn on (some ideas)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-01 16:52:35 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 450 Message: 502

Actually I did a second 48 hour power starvation over a week ago, and so far it seems good. The difference between the first power starvation and this one is that after the first one when the radio went on the display would scramble for just a millisecond before coming on. Now when I hit the power button the display reads "on" and then immediately switches to the frequency it was turned off at previously.
I've actually been involved working with various electronic equipment over the years (radios, low-power radio transmitters, computers, etc.) and the wacking it a couple times has at various times been used with sometimes good results and sometimes not so good. I believe the technical term for this sort of action is "percussive maintenance" ;-) , but always to be used as only a last result. Thanks for the ideas and help.
-Mike

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "yzordderrex2003" <yzordderrex2003@...> wrote:
>
> Sorry to hear you got probs with your radio Mike. (I think it is Mike.
> Sometimes I have a hard time keeping up with thread.) I am not too
> qualified to comment on what may be wrong. I don't have too much
> experience with microprocessors, and problem seems likely to be in
> that area. Seems you have a lot of help here on the group so I will
> just add my $0.02. I would guess that Degen probably knows what the
> problem is, but not such a good line of communication between here and
> the factory - Most companies - especially in Red countries -not too
> willing to air their dirty laundry.
>
> I would as a last resort try smacking the radio two times. Just slam
> it down on a tabletop. Just enough force to give it a good spanking
> without breaking the case. Hopefully you are not at last resort stage
> yet. I remember my cousin coming over to my house and smacking one of
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> (uncle Ivan) was a radioman in the USN and he learned that trick from
> him. I am a EE, so my method to get up and running is quite a bit
> different. Believe me when I tell you that I have spent hours trying
> to get a piece of gear up and running. I would surrender and throw my
> hands up in the air, only to have my technician get in there and tell
> me 15mins later it was just a loose connection. Look for the obvious
> probs. Loose connector, broken track, cold solder joint, etc...
>
> One of the problems that the whole electronic industry has been seeing
> is tin whiskers. Their is a global push to get away from hazardous
> materials, and lead solder is an early fatality. Seems that the newer

> design lead free solders have a propensity towards growing little tin
> whiskers that can short out adjacent pins on high density lead
> frames. If Degen has recently made the switch then there is a good
> chance there will be some fallout. I don't really know exactly what
> it takes to inspect for this prob. We use stereoscopic magnifiers
> with bright lights. Perhaps you may want to look into this type of
> prob. Maybe just an acid brush sweeping between the high density
> connectors and integrated circuits may fix you up.
>
> My method would be to get in there with some test gear and poke
> around. We have schematics available on site and plenty of the
> members here are very technical savy. A simple voltmeter might help
> to pinpont the problem.
>
> Good luck,
> Bob
> N9NEO
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503. Re: PLL/AGC "Chuffing/Chugging" Odd Even Gain Variations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-02 12:01:41 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 499 Message: 503

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" http://lab.radioscanner.ru/schematics/de1103_main.jpg ".

Given this opportunity (reason to open the set) I inspected further. Rather surprisingly the circuit board of the radio looked really bad. All the components (SMD included) were soldered by hand! Flux residues were left uncleaned! Shield plates were all corroded and poorly soldered!

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-02 14:58:50 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 499 Message: 504

Wow, why would Degen risk that?

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In the restaurant business when you open a new property you give away food (product) for awhile to iron things out. Prior to tooting your horn only to fall squarely on your ass with real paying customers work out the bugs with unpaying customers, they have no grounds for complaint and generally will take ownership in the eventual success of the venture.

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> > bands
> > > > rather then a smooth audible transition between frequencies
odd
> > and
> > > > even frequency steps 1khz 2khz 3khz etc. produce AGC rushing
> > sounds,
> > > > pulsation. Further characterizing the problem the odd
> > frequencies
> > > > 1/3/5/7... result in higher gain/noise (volume changes) in
> > > > comparison to the even frequencies 2,4,6,8khz... Thusly
there is
> > a
> > > > high-low-high... audio emination as you tune. It still
receives
> > OK
> > > > (marginal) but side by side with the good receiver its
anoying
> > as
> > > > hell and very obvious.
> > > >
> > > > This is to post notice that if you are experiencing this
> > > > characteristic while tuning any of the AM bands its not what
the
> > > > DE1103 can and should deliver. Something is wrong on
receiver
> > #2...
> > > > alignment???....PCB trace/pad/component issues???I don't
know
> > yet
> > > > but would love to find out if anyone else has
> > explored/experienced
> > > > such a problem? I remember some referrence(s) to this on the
web
> > and
> > > > the author was left with a less then positive experience and
> > > > therfore opinion of the DE1103.
> > > >
> > > > If I had just ordered the one unit and received the good
> > receiver,
> > > > receiver #1, I would have declared, as many have, the
excelence
> > of
> > > > the DE1103...if I had received receiver #2 I would have
> > incorrectly
> > > > called the DE1103 a below average implementation of what a
dual-
> > > > conversion receiver should be.
> > > >
> > > > I purchased my receivers from Tao Qu, who in my opinion is
Tops,

> > an
> > > > A number one person who bends over backwards in providing
> > customer
> > > > service. He has offered to replace the radio but if this is
a
> > > > simple issue that I can rectify without jumping the pond I
would
> > > > rather do so as I intend to add modifications to this great
> > > > receiver and have the gear and desire to do so.
> > > >
> > > > I'm new to this group and really appreciate all the
downloads
> > that
> > > > members have provided...thank you...it really helps.
> > > >
> > > > Gene...Later
> > > >
> > >
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508. Memory Scanning not with tuning knob

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-05 13:15:58 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 508 Message: 508

Hi,
I have the manual I downloaded from our files section but I can't find where it says how to scan the memories though it does say it can be done. Thanks in advance if anyone knows.

"Egun On, Lagunak!" (Basque for G'day Mates)
Pete Nalda

509. I just bought another.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-05 17:26:33 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 509 Message: 509

I just bought a DE-1103. I have the Kaito unit and liked it so much that I bought the Degen. I'm going to open the Kaito up and attempt some of the mods here at the N9NEO station workshop. I figured if I made a total mess of the radio I would have the Degen. If I get them both modified and working nice I will probably give one to my niece. Last year I gave her the DE-1107 which is the analog equivalent to the DE-1103.

I have a little chirping when I tune the bands too, but not so annoying. Sound is distorted a little - though FM sounds nice. Looking forward to opening this one up when new one arrives. I'll post my findings when I get into it.

73
NEO

510. Re: Memory Scanning not with tuning knob

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-06 10:27:17 UTC
From: Sanjaya
Topic: 508 Message: 510

The only memory (preset) scan I know of is with the "knob". Press M/F
to change to memory mode and turn the jog dial (knob) to cycle through
the presets.
Where does the manual say there is another way to scan the memories?
(Per your subject line "not with tuning knob")

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511. How to open it?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-06 19:25:55 UTC
From: Matthew Dovell
Topic: 450 Message: 511

I'm still having that problem with the jog dial so I took out all the screws I could find in the back. The top part opens but the bottom doesn't. I thought they'd be a hidden screw in with the batteries but I didn't find any....

I don't want to snap it off because there's wires going across...

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http://mail.yahoo.com

512. Re:[de1103] How to open it?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-06 22:01:08 UTC
From: duncan.lamb
Topic: 450 Message: 512

This Russian site tells you how to dismantle the radio - I used an English translation of it that someone posted, but I don't have it to hand. The photos should help, though, even if you don't speak Russian!

Duncan

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513. Re:[de1103] How to open it?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-06 22:01:56 UTC
From: duncan.lamb
Topic: 450 Message: 513

This time with the link (duh!):

http://lab.radioscanner.ru/review/degen2.php

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> took out all the screws I could find in the back. The
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514. Re: [de1103] Re: Memory Scanning not with tuning knob

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-07 13:45:16 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 508 Message: 514
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

On Jul 6, 2006, at 5:27 AM, Sanjaya wrote:

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> the presets.
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> (Per your subject line "not with tuning knob")

Ok it looks like I misread this:

"

515. Re: Memory Scanning not with tuning knob

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-07 20:49:37 UTC
From: Sanjaya
Topic: 508 Message: 515

Amazon.com has a .pdf of the 1103 official manual (Kaito version)

here's the link, shortened by using tinyurl.com
http://tinyurl.com/jolg9

scroll down the page until you see "Product Manuals",
it's just past "Product Details"

I have a Degen official manual in .pdf format but
I have no idea where I got it

The Kaito one should be identical though

516. Does liypn ship UPS?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-07 22:22:10 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 516 Message: 516

I can't remember if Liypn ships UPS or not with track number. I would like a heads up when radio reaches my front door. I prefer to intercept delivery guy myself rather than my wife running into him.

73
NEO

517. Re: Does liypn ship UPS?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-07 22:25:42 UTC
From: Sanjaya
Topic: 516 Message: 517

The 3 radios I bought from Liypn came via certified airmail from China. They required a signature. 2 radios arrived the 7th day after Liypn's email confirming shipment, and one arrived 6 days after the email from Liypn.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "yzordderrex2003" <yzordderrex2003@...> wrote:

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> NEO
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518. Re: Memory Scanning not with tuning knob

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-08 00:15:39 UTC
From: Theo
Topic: 508 Message: 518

Why would anyone go to "Amazon"?

If you bought from <lipyn>, you were provided with a <.pdf> file for
the manual.

It's in the <FILES> folder for this group.

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519. Re: Does liypn ship UPS?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-08 15:39:15 UTC
From: Don
Topic: 516 Message: 519

When I received my DEGEN 1103 I wasn't at home and it was held at the post office pending my pickup and signature. Looking at the "Post Pack" padded envelope that the box arrived in, it was "registered mail" from Hong Kong via airmail and did require signature. From the day or ordering to arrival it was a full ten days.
Don

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> > NEO
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520. Speak Russian?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-11 16:50:58 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 450 Message: 520

Was that Russian translation posted to this site? It looks like a lot of reALLY GOOd info in that paper and it would be a shame to not be able to recover it. Anybody speak Russian? My uncle Ivan - the radioman who I have mentioned before - died many years ago. He would have been thrilled to translate.

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521. Re: [de1103] Speak Russian?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-11 16:58:02 UTC
From: Duncan Lamb
Topic: 450 Message: 521

Here's the URL for the translated version, which I managed to track down:

http://babelfish.altavista.com/babelfish/trurl_pagecontent?lp=ru_en&trurl=http%3a%2f%2fmods.radioscanner.ru%2fdegen%2fde1103%2f

Duncan

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522. Fading distortion & other stuff

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-13 01:00:15 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 522 Message: 522

I got a link in an email today that I thought some would like to see.
A bunch of papers from Dallas Lankford.

http://www.kongsfjord.no/dl/dl.htm

I was looking for a link to info on the Racal 6830, but the link has a
lot of other very nice info that would apply to group.

The second paper caught my eye because the distortion on my little
KA1103 is very harsh. I suspect that some agc mods might help out
some. I'll do the mods posted by Gary and dig a little deeper into
the agc mods. If I find any improvements I'll post to group.

regards,
Bob
N9NEO

523. Re: Speak Russian?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-13 00:51:43 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 450 Message: 523

SWEET!!!

Thanks Duncan.

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524. AC Adaptor Issues

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-14 14:12:00 UTC
From: wd4dkv
Topic: 524 Message: 524

Hi to all...Received my DE1103 yesterday, and after reading the reviews am really quite impressed. Without going into specifics, I think it's a nice enough radio to take care of properly.

My only concern is one review I read about the ac adaptor apparently destroying a radio. I've had lots of experience with inferior ac adaptors, so I measured the voltage on the one that came with the set.

With no load, the adaptor is producing between 10 and 11 volts. The ripple seems to be quite acceptable on the one I got, and it would probably drop down a few volts when plugged into the set. Still, I am thinking about either finding one a little better regulated(closer to 6vdc), or just charging the batteries on an external charger.

Does anyone share my concern, and taken steps, or am I being overly cautious?

later, wd4dkv.

525. Re: AC Adaptor Issues

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-15 15:46:59 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 524 Message: 525

Hi WD4DKV,

I am DE-1103 newbie too. I have had it for a couple of months and I am very happy with it. I got my second radio yesterday. I bought the Kaito previously with the loop. This time I went for the DEGEN unit. I haven't had a chance to do a detailed comparison but the DEGEN does seem to have more of the pll tuning noise (I think i have heard it called chugging) as I go up and down the band.

Radio got here (MA) in six days from order Batteries were 1100maH and were marked ETON which surprised me. What did your batteries look like?

I don't think you are being too cautious at all. Nobody wants to smoke a new toy early on. Be careful when playing around with the wall warts. Your wart charger probably has some kind of current limiting resistor built in so that under load the output voltage is close to the battery voltage. Not a real good situation because the batteries may just overcharge some. Stick a 50 ohm resistor across the charger output and see what happens. If it goes down to about 5v then that is probably normal. You want a voltage that is about twice the battery voltage so that the simple circuit can have some control over the current. Think about the charger voltage, battery voltage, and series resistance some and you will understand.

I went for the RadShack charger and battery combo for 25 bucks. Expensive, but you get (and will want) another pair of batteries.

I wouldn't doubt that the radio might take a hit with that charger plugged into it without batteries installed. There seems to be some regulators before the big BGA micro, but I haven't looked everywhere to see where VDD goes.

If you have radio on Tuesday evening at about 8:15ish then look for me before greyhair net starts at 8:30 on 1945kc. I have just built a 160m transmitter and will be looking for reports.

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526. Russian-English DE1103 review website

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-16 00:34:44 UTC
From: mperaaho
Topic: 526 Message: 526

http://www.radioscanner.ru/receivers/review/degen1103_eng.html

527. Re: AC Adaptor Issues

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-16 23:22:34 UTC
From: Dennis Ls M Cruz
Topic: 524 Message: 527

Hi WD4DKV

My DE1103 charger/adapter is spot on at 6VDC. If I remeber there was a website which shows the adapter being cut open showing an LM7806 (or equivalent) 6 votls voltage regulator IC. In other words the adapter is a well regulated unit. I even use it occasionaly on my Sony ICF-SW7600GR which happens to have the same jack type, voltage requirement and polarity as the DE1103. I bought my DE1103 along with the DE1102 in Hong Kong way back in Sept or Oct. 2004 so I don't know if Degen had made any changes in there design on the adapter/charger. You did not mention if you're in US (I presume you are) because the included step up transformer (110v to 220v AC) reportedly outputs higher than 220volts. This can cause a higher than normal output on your charger/adapter. However if they are still using 6volts voltage regulator IC then this will not have any effect because the IC can accept inputs up to 35VDC and stil comes out 6VDC. However if Degen doesn't use regulator IC's anymore (to cut on cost) then this can give you problems in your adapter output. Try to check first the output of your step up transformer (assuming you're using it) if it is indeed close to 220VAC and not higher than 240VAC.

As a note, the model number of the AC-DC adapter/charger of both my DE1102 & 1103 are exactly the same but they have DIFFERENT jack size and reverse polarity on the DE1102 compared to the DE1103. You can't use them interchangeably at all. Both use the IC regulator as the outputs of both adapter are spot on at 6VDC. I did not cut any of them open just to find out if it does use the regulator IC. I only based and assumed it on the photos I saw somewhere in the internet.

Dennis, DV7-BKO
the Philippines

528. RE: [de1103] Re: AC Adaptor Issues

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-17 00:42:28 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 524 Message: 528

Is it model number KA11R080025033N.? Both the Degen and Kaito are the same and says 8V DC 250MA

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dennis Ls M Cruz
Sent: Sunday, July 16, 2006 7:23 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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529. Re: AC Adaptor Issues

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-17 17:37:06 UTC
From: wd4dkv
Topic: 524 Message: 529

Okay everyone! Thanks for info. BTW, I am in United States, and was supplied with a 110vac adaptor. I disassembled my ac adaptor(HS-D6300); easy to do as it was not glued, only held together by 2 screws. Contains a transformer, 4 diodes and a 1000uf filter capacitor only. No regulator.

Anyone familiar with the part number? Interestingly enough(and I missed this before) the adaptor states 110v 50Hz. We have 60hz current here in the US.

530. More Adapter info

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-17 18:58:11 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 530 Message: 530

I also got the HS-D6300 adapter. I was surprised that I got a charger that was good for USA lines. I thought there was a converter transformer required.

I measured open circuit voltage at 10.28v.

Loaded conditions below

Load Vout Current Rinternal

27ohm 6.65v 246ma 14.7ohm
22ohm 6.30v 286ma 14.0ohm
15ohm 5.63v 375ma 12.4ohm

So to model the circuit we would use an ideal voltage of 10.28v and a near 14ohm resistor in series with this ideal source. This internal resistance is comprised of a few different things. Diode drops, winding resiatances and leakage reactance of the transformer. (The core flux does not link all of the secondary turns.) And probably some other stuff I haven't thought of.

It is this internal resistance that keeps the batteries from frying when you put the charger on. You need some sort of current limiting device and looks like the wart maker just used the transformer wire size.

Any transformer that is designed for 50Hz will work on 60Hz. The magnitizing flux has an inverse relationship with the frequency. F is on the bottom of the equation.

73
NEO

531. LiMH Batteries - 2200 mAh

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-18 19:07:50 UTC
From: dcriner
Topic: 531 Message: 531

I have two radios, a DE1103 and a Sony ICF-SW7600GR, both of which take four AA NiMH batteres. The DE1103 came with 1100 mAh batteres; the SW7600GR doesn't come with batteries.

I bought a set of 2200 LiMH AAs at RadioShack -- twice the capacity of the ones that came with the DE1103. The extra life really makes a difference, particularly for the SW7600GR which depletes batteries quicker.

532. Re: AC Adaptor Issues

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-19 14:24:49 UTC
From: wd4dkv
Topic: 524 Message: 532

Hey Bob, Just thought I'd let you know...we tuned into the 160m freq last night about 8:15, but down here it's sort of noisy. I turned on the ssb switch and heard some faint carriers in the background, but couldn't hear any voices!

Have also determined that while the adaptor doesn't seem bad enough to harm the radio, it has enough ripple to mess up ssb reception. Am considering using the 5 volt leg of a computer power supply to play/charge the radio. Don't see why it needs 6 volts if four nimh only add up to 4.8 volts. This, I would think, would be a safe voltage level. It remains to be seen what kind of rfi problems I'd be dealing with. Later, riley wd4dkv.

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> > Does anyone share my concern, and taken steps, or am I being
> overly cautious?
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> > later, wd4dkv.
> >
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533. Re: AC Adaptor Issues

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-19 18:34:29 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 524 Message: 533

Hi Riley,

It was very noisy here in New England last night and I am not sure if greyhair net even happened. I was up listening on 160m from 20:00-20:30 and nothing doing. BTW, the net is strictly AM. Static crashes here in MA about 20-40 over. At 11:30 a news flash came on. An oil tanker in Providence harbor went up in flames. I suspect it may have been struck by lightning. I wonder if they were doing a fuel transfer when it went up.

I would think the battery would filter out most ripple - sorta like a big capacitor. As a matter of fact you could model a battery as a very large capacitor with a small value resistor in series with it. Have you measured the ripple with a scope? I think there are some regulators in the radio that might get rid of some of the ripple. The 60Hz or 120Hz ripple is usually taken care of by the much higher bandwidth of the three terminal regulator. I haven't gotten into the circuits too deep yet, so not sure what is going on.

I bought a second radio to play with while radio alpha goes on the bench for mods, but I've got a half-dozen people here in work who want to play with my new radio. I guess I'll loan it out for a few weeks and see how many I can convert.

Were your batteries green? A dark colored marked Eton?

Do you have other radio gear?

73
Bob

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "wd4dkv" <wd4dkv@...> wrote:
>
> Hey Bob, Just thought I'd let you know...we tuned into the 160m
freq
> last night about 8:15, but down here it's sort of noisy. I turned
on
> the ssb switch and heard some faint carriers in the background, but
> couldn't hear any voices!
>
> Have also determined that while the adaptor doesn't seem bad
enough to
> harm the radio, it has enough ripple to mess up ssb reception. Am
> considering using the 5 volt leg of a computer power supply to
play/
> charge the radio. Don't see why it needs 6 volts if four nimh only
add

> up to 4.8 volts. This, I would think, would be a safe voltage
level.
> It remains to be seen what kind of rfi problems I'd be dealing
with.
> Later, riley wd4dkv.
>
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "yzordderrex2003" <yzordderrex2003@>
> wrote:
> >
> > Hi WD4DKV,
> >
> > I am DE-1103 newbie too. I have had it for a couple of months
and I
> > am very happy with it. I got my second radio yesterday. I
bought
> > the Kaito previously with the loop. This time I went for the
DEGEN
> > unit. I haven't had a chance to do a detailed comparison but
the
> > DEGEN does seem to have more of the pll tuning noise (I think i
have
> > heard it called chugging) as I go up and down the band.
> >
> > Radio got here (MA) in six days from order Batteries were
1100maH
> > and were marked ETON which surprised me. What did your batteries
> > look like?
> >
> > I don't think you are being too cautious at all. Nobody wants
to
> > smoke a new toy early on. Be careful when playing around with
the
> > wall warts. Your wart charger probably has some kind of current
> > limiting resistor built in so that under load the output voltage
is
> > close to the battery voltage. Not a real good situation because
the
> > batteries may just overcharge some. Stick a 50 ohm resistor
across
> > the charger output and see what happens. If it goes down to
about
> > 5v then that is probably normal. You want a voltage that is
about
> > twice the battery voltage so that the simple circuit can have
some
> > control over the current. Think about the charger voltage,
battery
> > voltage, and series resistance some and you will understand.
> >

> > I went for the RadShack charger and battery combo for 25 bucks.
> > Expensive, but you get (and will want) another pair of
batteries.
> >
> > I wouldn't doubt that the radio might take a hit with that
charger
> > plugged into it without batteries installed. There seems to be
some
> > regulators before the big BGA micro, but I haven't looked
everywhere
> > to see where VDD goes.
> >
> > If you have radio on Tuesday evening at about 8:15ish then look
for
> > me before greyhair net starts at 8:30 on 1945kc. I have just
built
> > a 160m transmitter and will be looking for reports.
> >
> > 73
> > Bob
> > N9NEO
> >
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> > -- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "wd4dkv" <wd4dkv@> wrote:
> > >
> > > Hi to all...Received my DE1103 yesterday, and after reading
the
> > reviews am really quite
> > > impressed. Without going into specifics, I think it's a nice
> > enough radio to take care of
> > > properly.
> > >
> > > My only concern is one review I read about the ac adaptor
> > apparently destroying a radio.
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534. battery chargers

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-19 19:33:15 UTC
From: dazphotog@aol.com
Topic: 534 Message: 534

The reason for the 6.0 volts is that batteries ned to be charged at a higher voltage than the output boltage. This is usually 20% higher...so 6 volts on a 4.8 volt battery is about right. 5 volts would run the radio but not charge the batteries.

Don

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Check out AOL.com today. Breaking news, video search, pictures, email and IM. All on demand. Always Free.

535. Re: AC Adaptor Issues

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-20 14:43:35 UTC
From: wd4dkv
Topic: 524 Message: 535

Hey Bob, Okay on all. We tuned in and couldn't hear anything but the noise, but when I turned on the sideband switch, I did hear a few carriers. I do this sometimes to check the frequency, since I can hear the heterodynes even when the am signals cannot be heard at all.

I have setup the de1103 for outdoor listening on my deck. Have it grounded and inductively coupled to the coax that goes to the g5rv. Seems to work fairly well, though a direct connection would be better! The adaptor is only a problem when listening to ssb. My adaptor does not have a regulator, only the transformer filter and rectifiers. My other equipment consists of an icom 730, which I use mostly on cw and digimodes. Also have a Hammarlund HQ-100 working , but in need of further tweaking.

BTW, the batteries that came with my de1103 are 1100ma Etons. I am using a new set of 2500ma batteries and an external charger. Will probably use the adaptor only if I am traveling in an emergency.

Later, Riley wd4dkv.

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> Bob
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536. Rig for silent running

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-21 00:16:24 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 536 Message: 536

Doggone electric toothbrush charger was killing my SWL last night. Turned off microwave too. Had to unplug tv set alltogether - turning it off was not good enough. Wifes alarm clock too, Still a bunch of other trash on the power lines cause when I get near a lightbulb i peg the S meter.

537. Re: PLL/AGC "Chuffing/Chugging" Odd Even Gain Variations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-24 12:54:50 UTC
From: Igor Danilevych
Topic: 499 Message: 537

Hello de1103!

I'm a new one in this group.

A few days ago I received Degen and at the first day noticed the same problem when tuning: normal on odd freq 1,3,5,... KHz, but wrong freq and bad sensitiveness on freqs ends 2,4,6,... KHz in AM mode.

Is there any way to solve this problem, or only replacement of receiver?
Serial number of my receiver: A1031054

Sorry when my English is not so good (I'm from Ukraine).

73!
--
Igor

538. Re: Radio won't turn on (some ideas)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-26 13:53:23 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 450 Message: 538

Hey Mike,

That radio running ok for you now?

73
Bob

PS We are practically neighbors. I am in Uxbridge

539. Reality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-30 04:08:07 UTC
From: kitkatjt
Topic: 539 Message: 539

After reading all the mail about the many problems the DE 1103 is having what do you think it will take to improve the DE 1103?

540. Re: [de1103] Reality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-30 06:42:36 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 539 Message: 540

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----- Original Message -----
From: "kitkatjt" <kitkatjt@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 30, 2006 5:08 AM
Subject: [de1103] Reality

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from a QC problems a few people have had, most people seem very happy with
their radios.

Leon
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541. Re: [de1103] Reality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-30 07:55:00 UTC
From: MWBRYANT@aol.com
Topic: 539 Message: 541

Kitkat,

Never had a problem with my DE1103. Two years of heavy use and it's still going strong. By far the best radio for the price. Is there a specific problem that you're reading about? Remember, there's a lot of people out there that will badmouth any radio.

Mike Bryant

In a message dated 7/30/2006 12:08:35 AM Eastern Standard Time, kitkatjt@... writes:

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542. Re: [de1103] Reality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-30 08:49:52 UTC
From: Duncan Lamb
Topic: 539 Message: 542

I had a show-stopping problem with mine when I received it - couldn't pick up anything on any band other than FM. I sent it back and got a replacement from Hong Kong, and the replacement works fine. Another couple of recent buyers have had the same problem apparently, so it does make you a little wary. As I say, though, no problem with the replacement so far, and even with the extra 24 Euros I had to pay to ship the first one back, it's still something of a bargain...

Duncan

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543. Re: Reality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-30 08:22:37 UTC
From: john_cribbin
Topic: 539 Message: 543

Hi Kitkat,

I go along with the 'what problems' viewpoint. Before I bought the radio, I did as much research as possible and reached the conclusion, it was a superb radio for the price, but difficult to use due to the control layout. Ok you can't change the volume with one hand in the dark, but after a few weeks all the functions are second nature to use. You very rarely hear about problems developing with this radio, they are nearly all perceived problems on receipt. If there are problems, from what I read they are QC issues from the factory, not radios which generally fail in use. If suspect units are returned under warranty it should encourage the Chinese to tighten things up before leaving the factory.

John

544. Re: Reality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-30 08:16:40 UTC
From: michelmarqs
Topic: 539 Message: 544

I just bought mine and I am worried. The issue is when you do have a problem, if I am not mistaken you pay for shipping both ways (40$) to China and you might even pay taxes again if you can't convince the gov it is a replacement. It might be better to buy another one, depending on the issue.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@...> wrote:
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "kitkatjt" <kitkatjt@...>
> To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Sunday, July 30, 2006 5:08 AM
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> their radios.
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> Leon
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545. Re: [de1103] Re: Reality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-30 09:08:23 UTC
From: Duncan Lamb
Topic: 539 Message: 545

If you've received one that works out of the box, you're probably okay (at least regarding the problem I had). Import duties are an issue I hadn't though about, though - so far, I've never had to pay any in France. If you do get stung for them, though (especially twice if you have to send a faulty unit back), the bargain could suddenly become much less attractive! I'd imagine that kind of bad luck is very rare though...

Duncan

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546. Re: [de1103] Re: Reality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-30 09:19:19 UTC
From: Michel Marques
Topic: 539 Message: 546

Here (Brazil) the import tax is 60% of
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Novidade no Yahoo! Mail: receba alertas de novas mensagens no seu celular. Registre seu aparelho agora!
http://br.mobile.yahoo.com/mailalertas/

547. Re: [de1103] Re: Reality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-30 09:26:27 UTC
From: Duncan Lamb
Topic: 539 Message: 547

Ouch!

Michel Marques wrote:
>
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> product+shipping.
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> --
>

548. Re: [de1103] Re: Reality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-30 10:44:13 UTC
From: Zacharias Liangas
Topic: 539 Message: 548

extremely huge
Here in Greece we have just VAT which is 19% with thresold of $50
instead of $200 used before 6 months . And i still think it was too
much!!
zach

On 30 Jul 2006 at 6:19, Michel Marques wrote:

> Here (Brazil) the import tax is 60% of
> product+shipping.
>.
http://www.worldisround.com/articles/302315/ (travel abt Litohoro)
http://www.flickr.com/photos/zachgr pictures upload
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VERY NEW WEB PAGES on my site
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greekdx @ otenet dot gr --- www.geocities.com/zliangas
Pesawat penerima: ICOM R75 , Lowe HF150 , Degen 1102,1103,108,
Tecsun PL200/550, Chibo c300/c979, Yupi 7000
Antenna: 16m hor, 2x16 m V invert, 1m australian loop

549. Re: Reality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-31 04:02:43 UTC
From: Don
Topic: 539 Message: 549

I've got both models going well into 6 months with heavy use; the Kaito 1102 and the Degen 1103. My only gripe is forgetting which one is in my hand and the difference in the way they operate (setup). After the year is up, in lieu of repairing them should they self-destruct, I'd problem opt for a new one at the price I paid.

don

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550. Re: [de1103] Re: Reality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-31 04:33:03 UTC
From: brentr
Topic: 539 Message: 550

mine is good. only problem is some of the number buttons dont protude out of the case enough.

Brent W, Rawson
----- Original Message -----
From: Don
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, July 30, 2006 9:02 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Reality

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> John
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551. RE: [de1103] Re: Reality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-07-31 06:26:53 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 539 Message: 551

Huh? Never had that problem.....LOL

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
brentr
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2006 12:33 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Reality

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Brent W, Rawson

----- Original Message -----

From: Don <mailto:kansasphotos@...>

To: de1103@yahoogroups. <mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com> com

Sent: Sunday, July 30, 2006 9:02 PM

Subject: [de1103] Re: Reality

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552. Antenna Connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-02 16:01:46 UTC
From: locoradiodude
Topic: 552 Message: 552

Hello Group.
I have a DE1103 used with a small outdoor loop antenna (circumference about 17 ft.)feedline is twin speaker wire, connected via phono plug to the 1103. When the plug is completely inserted into the EXT antenna jack the received signal signal falls quite a bit (still audible), but if the plug is not fully inserted (lets say about halfway) the signal is higher, or if I directly connect the plug to the whip antenna (using an alligator clip) the signal is quite a bit louder than with it plugged all the way into the EXT antenna jack. I had assumed that the signal strength would be the same using an external antenna, connected through either through the EXT antenna jack or connected to the whip antenna and why the change in signal with the insertion point of the phono plug?
Curious in Radioland.

553. Re: [de1103] Antenna Connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-02 16:46:56 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 552 Message: 553

----- Original Message -----
From: "locoradiodude" <locoradiodude@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 5:01 PM
Subject: [de1103] Antenna Connection

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What frequency are you trying to receive, and is the antenna designed for
that frequency? Also, is the antenna matched to the radio input impedance?

Leon

554. Re: Reality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-02 21:57:24 UTC
From: kitkatjt
Topic: 539 Message: 554

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@...> wrote:
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> From: "kitkatjt" <kitkatjt@...>
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happy with
> their radios.
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Leon

If you will read the mail there have been different postings dealing
with issues the radio has.I believe the radio will get needed updates
that will make it even better.

555. Re: Antenna Connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-03 14:58:22 UTC
From: paul buhler
Topic: 552 Message: 555

The loop is a "random length" loop, and the frequencies are in the 6, 9, 11 and 15 MHz range. There is no impedance matching (not yey anyway), just a speaker wire feedline and phono plug.

See the all-new, redesigned Yahoo.com. Check it out.

556. Re: [de1103] Re: Antenna Connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-03 15:16:16 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 552 Message: 556

----- Original Message -----
From: paul buhler
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2006 3:58 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Antenna Connection

The loop is a "random length" loop, and the frequencies are in the 6, 9, 11 and 15 MHz range. There is no impedance matching (not yey anyway), just a speaker wire feedline and phono plug.

That's probably why it isn't working properly. The antenna needs to be resonant at the required frequency and matched to the input.

Leon

557. Re: Antenna Connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-04 01:06:10 UTC
From: Don Boyd
Topic: 552 Message: 557

also the built in antenna has a preamp which is bypassed when using the antenna jack.

Don

558. Additional bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-04 19:19:58 UTC
From: Steve Dallape
Topic: 558 Message: 558

Hello all - just joined and am looking forward to participating in the group and learning much about my 1103 and radio in general. I have a question regarding bands that the 1103 is able to recieve, but that are not shown on the "analog" dial. I have a review of the 1103 from Monitoring Times that states that the 1103 is capable of receiving longwave, 120 meters, 18900-19020, 11 meters and the CB bands, but the frequencies are only shown on the digital readout. I know longwave is from 100 to 520 kHz, and the 18900-19020 is self-explanatory, but what are the frequencies for these other bands, and what should I expect to hear on them? Thanks.

559. Re: [de1103] Additional bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-04 21:44:37 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 558 Message: 559

11 meters is CB radio, starts at 26900 and goes to
27500 or thereabouts. 10 meters is just above I think
at 28000 and I don't know the others off hand but if I
come across it I'll check.

--- Steve Dallape <s_dallape@...> wrote:

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560. Re: [de1103] Additional bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-07 18:34:46 UTC
From: Dmitry Mezin
Topic: 558 Message: 560

But you still won't be able to receive NFM station in the CB band. You can only choose between AM and SSB modes there, as in all other parts of the dial.

By the way, is NFM still used for CB communications in countries other than Russia?

73 es gd dx,
Dmitry

----- Original Message -----
From: "Pete Nalda" <lpnalda@...>
Subject: Re: [de1103] Additional bands

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> 27500 or thereabouts. 10 meters is just above I think

561. Re: Additional bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-08 11:58:08 UTC
From: Sergej Nikishin
Topic: 558 Message: 561

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Steve Dallape <s_dallape@...> wrote:
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Hello, Steve, Dmitry and all.
120m is a "tropical band" ranging from 2300 to 2497 kHz. It is used by some Brazilian and Australian broadcasters, such as ABC Northern Territory Service on 2310, 2325 and 2485.
The 11m band has not been used for international broadcasting since 2004 (approximately), but it is now allocated for local broadcasting in DRM mode (which cannot be decoded by the 1103).
Some DX catches are possible in CB (Citizen Band, 26-28 MHz) as well as in 10m HAM band (28000-29700 kHz) in the daytime. The call channel for CB operators in SSB mode is 27555 kHz, and it may be appropriate to start searching them from this frequency.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Dmitry Mezin" <dm65dx@...> wrote:
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> But you still won't be able to receive NFM station in the CB band. You can
> only choose between AM and SSB modes there, as in all other parts of the
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Actually, NFM stations are audible in AM mode, although with poor audio quality. It's better to listen to them on frequencies which are offset by +/- 1 or 2 kHz from the nominal.

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> Russia?
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Last year I heard some German operators in NFM mode in the "C" band (26965-27405).

73!
Sergey Nikishin
Moscow, Russia

562. Tuning SSB - help!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-10 16:05:07 UTC
From: mcnowinski
Topic: 562 Message: 562

All,

I am a newbie having lots of problems tuning SSB with my Degen 1103. I have posted to the rec.shortwave group, and although I received many good responses, I am a bit embarassed to say that I still can't seem to make any progress.

Here is a quick summary of my current approach:

- tune in HAM channel on 75m in AM
- hear "Donald Duck" voices
- switch to SSB (typically, hear nothing)
- center "Fine Tuning" control
- make small adjustments (up/down) in an attempt to tune in SSB voice

Occasionally, I hear some "Donald Duck" voices break through, but it almost seems random. No matter how minutely I inch in one direction or the other, I do not seem to be able to "center" in on the channel.

Any ideas on what I am doing wrong? Any tips to make this process easier? Might I have a problem with my radio (I suspect it's more likely an operator problem:)?

Thanks for any and all input!

-matt

563. Re: [de1103] Tuning SSB - help!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-10 16:29:40 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 562 Message: 563

----- Original Message -----
From: "mcnowinski" <mcnowinski@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 10, 2006 5:05 PM
Subject: [de1103] Tuning SSB - help!

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> likely an operator problem:)?

"75m" isn't an amateur band, try 7.0 to 7.2 MHz (40m band). You should hear plenty of Morse and SSB signals if conditions are good. Below 10 MHz LSB is used so it is best to start with the fine tuning control fully anti-clockwise when tryijng to resolve SSB on 40m.

Leon

564. RE: [de1103] Tuning SSB - help!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-11 01:10:56 UTC
From: Kenneth Lee
Topic: 562 Message: 564

I think mcnowinski is refering to 75-meters not 75 Mhz. The 75-meter band is the voice portion of the 80-meter band, from around 3700 khz up to 4000 khz.

Mcnowinski, try tuning down from 3995 khz in 1 khz steps while in SSB mode. Try this with the tuning wheel near the center position. Hint, often hams will center on even 5 khz steps so try centering on the closest 5 khz (3800, 3805, 3810...3995). This is a good nighttime band. You can often catch hams using am in this band too.

For 40-meters try 7000 - 7300 khz, nights and early mornings are best.

73, Ken -N5SWR

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Leon Heller
Sent: Thursday, August 10, 2006 12:30 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] Tuning SSB - help!

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From: "mcnowinski" <mcnowinski@...>
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Leon

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565. RE: [de1103] Tuning SSB - help!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-11 03:52:57 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 562 Message: 565

75 or 80m is a ham band. 3700 to 4000. 3933 on the east coast at midnight to 5am is a blast!

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Leon Heller
Sent: Thursday, August 10, 2006 12:30 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] Tuning SSB - help!

----- Original Message -----
From: "mcnowinski" <mcnowinski@yahoo. <mailto:mcnowinski%40yahoo.com> com>
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Leon

566. SUPER HELICAL SHORTWAVE AM RADIO ANTENNA sw ham cc dx m

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-11 19:47:20 UTC
From: s_dallape
Topic: 566 Message: 566

Anybody have any experience with this antenna?

http://tinyurl.com/zekrk

Does it work with the 1103, and does it work at all? Is it worth the money, or is there something else out there that is better? I am looking for something inexpensive and compact, mostly for SW, but would not mind if it worked for MW, too.

567. Re: SUPER HELICAL SHORTWAVE AM RADIO ANTENNA sw ham cc dx m

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-12 01:07:18 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 566 Message: 567

Such antenna is only good when its length is adjusted to a specific frequency for optimum receptions. Yet as a SWL it will be impractical to change its length every time when switching to different stations. In such case it only behaved as a non-resonant/broad band longwire without any advantage of a resonant antenna. The moral is: a 65 feet insulated wire (or whatever length -- not critical) of insulated wire will get identical results. --- why not simply use the DE1103 original longwire antenna instead! On the other hand, a 65 feet longwire antenna is not always desirable. It may overload the DE1103 and worsen the receptions in most circumstances.
Hope this helps.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "s_dallape" <s_dallape@...> wrote:
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568. Old group gone? & Thanks, Leon!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-12 02:52:43 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 568 Message: 568

In looking for an answer to a prior post on the topic "Reality", I wnet in search of the old group and could not find it. Has it been terminated? If so, too bad it could not have been cleaned up and preserved.

Anyway, Leon, you've done a great job in moderating the new group. It's a relief to be free of the flames and hate mail.

73, Tom VE3MEO

569. Re: [de1103] Old group gone? & Thanks, Leon!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-12 07:21:36 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 568 Message: 569

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Tom Holden VE3MEO" <holden_family@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 12, 2006 3:52 AM
Subject: [de1103] Old group gone? & Thanks, Leon!

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> in search of the old group and could not find it. Has it been
> terminated? If so, too bad it could not have been cleaned up and
> preserved.

It should still be there. I check it from time to time, and post a message
about this group. The problem with the old group was that the
founder/moderator seems to have disappeared and Yahoo won't allow anyone
else to take it over.

Leon
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570. Re: SUPER HELICAL SHORTWAVE AM RADIO ANTENNA sw ham cc dx m

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-14 14:16:39 UTC
From: s_dallape
Topic: 566 Message: 570

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
>
> Such antenna is only good when its length is adjusted to a specific
> frequency for optimum receptions...

Thanks, knyuen88 - you saved me from making a mistake. This sounded like exactly what I was looking for, but if the length has to be constantly readjusted, it will be more trouble than it is worth.

571. Re: Tuning SSB - help!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-14 17:32:31 UTC
From: wgmartin999
Topic: 562 Message: 571

I've been listening to SW for over 50 years, and trying to listen to SSB signals for at least 40 of those years,and I *still* have difficulty tuning in clear SSB signals, no matter what receiver I'm using! So don't feel bad about running into problems! It's not your fault.

What I find causes the greatest problem is that the people you try to hear on SSB all too often pick the exact instant you are just tuning them in to *stop talking*!!!! This is particularly true when trying to pick up utility stations. Sure, sometimes you find a garrulous old ham who's in the middle of a monologue and then you can finally tweak in the signal to clear voice at the right tone, but it seems that 99% of the time, I tune across a frequency, hear the duck-quack, switch over to SSB, and begin to tweak the controls, and the voice disappears. It never returns while you are swishing the tuning up and down trying to re-locate it, and eventually you give up and tune elsewhere.

This is just further evidence of the essentially-evil nature of the universe...

73, Will

572. Re: Tuning SSB - help!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-14 18:04:02 UTC
From: kf0oujf
Topic: 562 Message: 572

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "wgmartin999" <wgmartin999@...> wrote:
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And don't forget, when you do finaly get them tuned in, the other guy
starts talking and he's slightly off frequency and you have to do it
all over again.

John

573. File upload notice

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-14 21:53:33 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 573 Message: 573

I uploaded Toshiba Detector datasheet. TA2057.pdf

regards,
NEO

574. 1103 VS. 1102 (Anyone ever tried Both?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-15 02:04:04 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 574 Message: 574

"Egun On, Lagunak!" (Basque for G'day Mates)
Pete Nalda

575. Re: [de1103] 1103 VS. 1102 (Anyone ever tried Both?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-15 02:13:38 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 574 Message: 575

oops sorry I forgot the text: Anyway here is:

I'm thinking of selling my KA1103 and buying a KA1102. Yeah I know 1103 new model, but the 2 keystroke volume thing is a real annoyance. I'm also finding I don't need the analog dial on the 1103 and therefore would almost prefer the keypad layout of the 1102. The reason I have trouble with the volume layout is that I sometimes have the radio in a pouch or briefcase and it's just too hard to find the teeny button (volume) and then have to jump to the knob quickly with one hand, a lot of the time I'm listening to the radio wile walking with my guide dog and so one handed operation would be a big plus in my situation.

So, I'm wondering, does the 1102 perform as well? Also, is ECSS possible or better on the 1102? Thought I'd heard it was good, don't remember where I read that. Also, hear the 1102 is smaller and wonder if that makes it more shirt pocketable, the 1103 fits but takes up the whole pocket.

Any other caveats or gotchas? Thanks in Advance,

On Aug 14, 2006, at 9:04 PM, Pete Nalda wrote:

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576. Re: [de1103] 1103 VS. 1102 (Anyone ever tried Both?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-15 02:46:31 UTC
From: MWBRYANT@aol.com
Topic: 574 Message: 576

Yeah, I own both. The 1102 is smaller, which is cool. Good audio through headphones. The 1103 sounds a little better with the built-in speaker, but it's close. Both have about the same sensitivity. I think I end up using the 1103 more, though, because of much better selectivity (two bandwidths) and better SSB-signal handling. Some of the ergonomics of the 1102 - like only being able to tune SSB from a specific memory page - makes the volume problem of the 1103 seem less annoying.

Hey, if you can give up SSB, you should try the Eton E10. Low noise floor and great sensitivity. I'm playing with THAT receiver more than any of the others.

Mike

In a message dated 8/14/2006 10:26:12 PM Eastern Standard Time, lpnalda@... writes:

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577. Re: 1103 VS. 1102 (Anyone ever tried Both?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-15 03:23:38 UTC
From: Jim Hackett
Topic: 574 Message: 577

Yes. I have both...

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Pete Nalda <lpnalda@...> wrote:
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578. Re: 1103 VS. 1102 (Anyone ever tried Both?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-15 03:32:44 UTC
From: Jim Hackett
Topic: 574 Message: 578

Personally, I prefer the 1103. I believe it is both more sensitive AND selective. To this day, I don't understand why the 1102 is $1 more than the 1103 (typically) I would have gladly paid more for the 1103. I do'nt believe either are good enough to ECSS with. I have just about every portable known to man with the exception of a very few and find only one or stable enough to do that on.

The Sat800 is pasable at ECSS, as is the ATS-909 (barely) To do ECSS well, you need a radio that tunes with exceptionally small steps. Even 40hz steps (ATS-909) are pretty large. ECSS is easy on radios like the R-75, NRD-525, R8, etc, but these aren't very portable...

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579. Re: [de1103] Re: 1103 VS. 1102 (Anyone ever tried Both?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-15 03:42:59 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 574 Message: 579

On Aug 14, 2006, at 10:23 PM, Jim Hackett wrote:

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580. Re: 1103 VS. 1102 (Anyone ever tried Both?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-15 12:57:22 UTC
From: Don
Topic: 574 Message: 580

I've got both radios and side by side on the same external antenna, the 1103 appears to pull in weaker stations, more specifically in the amateur radio bands. I do like the 1102 for size and usually listen to it with head phones.

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582. Re: [de1103] Re: 1103 VS. 1102 (Anyone ever tried Both?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-15 13:14:05 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 574 Message: 582

On Aug 15, 2006, at 7:57 AM, Don wrote:

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583. Re: Tuning SSB - help!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-15 14:31:21 UTC
From: wd4dkv
Topic: 562 Message: 583

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "kf0oujf" <sadatoni@...> wrote:

Hi, In accordance with my big pet peeve...it's impossible for me to tune ssb with good results if I am using the ac adaptor! The ripple gets into the oscillators. If anyone has had
problems with ssb, try using the radio on battery power, and it should be easier. There...I had to get that out of my system, once again(see my posts from about a month ago, hihi)!
73's Riley.
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "wgmartin999" <wgmartin999@> wrote:
> >
> > I've been listening to SW for over 50 years, and trying to
> > listen to SSB signals for at least 40 of those years,and I
> > *still* have difficulty tuning in clear SSB signals, no matter
> > what receiver I'm using! So don't feel bad about running into
> > problems! It's not your fault.
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> > What I find causes the greatest problem is that the people
> > you try to hear on SSB all too often pick the exact instant
> > you are just tuning them in to *stop talking*!!!! This is
> > particularly true when trying to pick up utility stations.
> > Sure, sometimes you find a garrulous old ham who's in the
> > middle of a monologue and then you can finally tweak in the
> > signal to clear voice at the right tone, but it seems that
> > 99% of the time, I tune across a frequency, hear the duck-quack,
> > switch over to SSB, and begin to tweak the controls, and the
> > voice disappears. It never returns while you are swishing the
> > tuning up and down trying to re-locate it, and eventually you
> > give up and tune elsewhere.
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> > This is just further evidence of the essentially-evil nature
> > of the universe...
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> > 73, Will
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> And don't forget, when you do finaly get them tuned in, the other guy
> starts talking and he's slightly off frequency and you have to do it
> all over again.
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> John
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584. Re: 1103 VS. 1102 (Anyone ever tried Both?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-15 23:35:59 UTC
From: a1aop
Topic: 574 Message: 584

I got my 1102 before my 1103 so I'm partial to the first. The 1103 is more sensitive off the whip, no question, but I found in a side by side comparison, they were equal when I used the 1102 with the short wire antenna and used the 1103 with the whip. The 1103 didn't gain much if at all with the wire. For ease of tuning and band scanning, the 1103 shines, pushing buttons to tune just ain't fun. For portability the 1102 is what I take if I'm cutting the carry-ons to the bare minimum, and just gotta bring one radio. For storing pre-sets, I find the 1102 much easier, still don't know if I have the 1103 figured out yet. I can live with ssb/cw only being in one page, though since I'm a ham, it's annoying. Go ahead, treat yourself, get both. 73, Jerry.
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585. I opened up my 1103 and found

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-16 16:36:58 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 585 Message: 585

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I'm in a rush, so more later.

Regards,
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P.S. Gary if you're reading this, we're practically neighbors. I'm in Uxbridge. I would like to stop by a BADX meeting or the BBQ in September. Sounds like a great bunch.

586. Re: [de1103] I opened up my 1103 and found

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-16 18:13:02 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 585 Message: 586

mmm, a little off the subject, but that just gave me an idea about my own little 1103 delema. I should try and search for a pair of phones with an line volume control, then if I ever needed to drop the volume really fast when mobile, woudn't have to navigate the volume button +tuning knob thing.

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587. RE: [de1103] Re: 1103 VS. 1102 (Anyone ever tried Both?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-17 01:33:42 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 574 Message: 587

Hey Jim, what about the 7600gr. I want to get one, do you have one?

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Pete Nalda
Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2006 9:08 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: 1103 VS. 1102 (Anyone ever tried Both?

On Aug 14, 2006, at 10:32 PM, Jim Hackett wrote:

> Personally, I prefer the 1103. I believe it is both more sensitive
> AND selective. To this day, I don't understand why the 1102 is $1
> more than the 1103 (typically) I would have gladly paid more for
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588. Re: 1103 VS. 1102 (Anyone ever tried Both?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-17 01:52:38 UTC
From: Jim Hackett
Topic: 574 Message: 588

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
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> Hey Jim, what about the 7600gr. I want to get one, do you have one?

Yea but it doesn't impress me much. I don't care for the audio, and it has NO tuning knob. It is a very "boring" radio. Not to say it doesn't work well as it does. The synch detector loses lock quite easily which can be annoying but it IS fairly sensitive especially on m.w.

589. RE: [de1103] Re: 1103 VS. 1102 (Anyone ever tried Both?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-17 02:41:07 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 574 Message: 589

Thanks, I will look elsewhere...

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Jim Hackett
Sent: Wednesday, August 16, 2006 9:53 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: 1103 VS. 1102 (Anyone ever tried Both?

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590. Re: 1103 VS. 1102 (Anyone ever tried Both?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-17 19:22:31 UTC
From: Jim Hackett
Topic: 574 Message: 590

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
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I wasn't trying to talk you out of it. I have nothing against it. I wouldn't sell mine but I like to fiddle with knobs, switches, etc and the 7600 is kinda boring although it is a tough act to follow in it's price class...

591. My modification experience so far.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-18 00:50:02 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 585 Message: 591

No not off topic Pete. Off topic is rec.radio.shortwave Heheh.

Rad Shack has the in-line volume control for pretty cheep I think. Probably Target and Wall Mart too. There is a mod here in the files section that swaps the volume control contortions with the ssb tuning knob. Looks like a fairly easy mod.

As I said in previous communication - I changed the 2.2k resistors to 1.0k and then I changed the 1uf coupling caps to 10uf. I didn't notice any difference in sound between the Degen which I had modified and my stock Kaito control speciman. I expected a richer sound with more bass response and less distortion. I also expected if nothing else the volume control would have changed so that I would have had to run a higher volume on the Degen as the voltage divider was changed. I found neither to be the case. I am old buzzard and half deaf, so that could be a problem. I don't know of any easy mods to take care of those probs:) I know there are some other caps I didn't try out yet so I'll report back when I make further mods.

The resistors I swapped out were 0603 size and my first attempt at smaller than an 0803. Gary's mod is going to be way easier to do if you don't have access to smd kinda gear.

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592. PLL Chip

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-18 01:19:26 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 592 Message: 592

I upload PLL data sheet. I don't have any experience with this type of chip, but probably not too bad to master. Maybe some way to program 10Khz steps when in MW portion so we don't have to use so many memory locations to program all mwdx stations in. If you have other datasheet to upload please do. If you think a seperate folder with data sheets already exist or should be created then please say so.

regards,
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593. Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-24 16:18:15 UTC
From: kf0oujf
Topic: 593 Message: 593

My KA1103 arrived yesterday. so I thought I would give some initial thoughts on it.

While I've seen complaints about the ergonomics of it, I don't see any problems - it's just different. Shoot, the numbers are even lighted at night, which even my TS-850s doesn't have.

The audio? Well, suffice it to say it's better than a crystal radio. Really, it sounds almost like a blown speaker (regardless of the internal one or headphones). Even the TS-850's audio is better.

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All-in-all, I'm quite pleased with the radio. Maybe someday I'll do that audio mod to it.

John
KF0OU/7

594. Re: [de1103] Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-24 21:28:22 UTC
From: Frank Mayer
Topic: 593 Message: 594

I'm supposed to be getting my new 1103 tommorow or Saturday so I'll let you know how mine is. I had a Degen 1102 and it crapped out. By the way there is a mod for the MW sensitivity on the TS-850. Not too hard if you can work with surface mount components.
Frank
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From: kf0oujf
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Sent: Thursday, August 24, 2006 12:18 PM
Subject: [de1103] Initial thoughts on the KA1103

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595. Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-25 14:46:18 UTC
From: kf0oujf
Topic: 593 Message: 595

Surface mount gives me the chills.

Anyway, more thoughts...

At the bus stop in Lakewood (just south of Tacoma, WA), several images popped up in LW and MW. Since it's not a triple conversion radio, I'm not really bothered by these as they were all rather weak. And where I live, there is only one local station strong enough to create an image (about 18 miles south of Tacoma).

Using just the whip antenna, had some good reception last night of Taiwan, Japan, and some I couldn't identify since I didn't recognize the languages.

Took the batteries out to get their rating. So now they are fully charged.

Found a couple of SSB transmissions, and tuning them in went quite smoothly. Just as easy as any other radio I've used.

Still quite satisfied with it.

John

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596. Re: [de1103] Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-25 13:06:13 UTC
From: EA4BL
Topic: 593 Message: 596

Hello.
I received my Degen 1103 from Tquchina abt two weeks ago.
I must say I am extremely happy with this little toy. For me it is pure gold!
No problem at all with the control volume, I think it is nice.
I have been performing also some comparitions wiht both a Sony IC2010 and a Grundig 700 and found no difference listening, among other things, to the 40 Mts Ham band.
I think also the audio, specially with the earphones is very good.
Believe me, since I got it, my Sony 2010 is resting on the shelf.
Note: Charge batteries during 12 or 13 hours in order to get a full charge.
I also bought four 2300 mah. batteries and a rapid charger (Less than 2 hour for a full charge).
And the best part: How much did all this perfomance cost?
49$ plus 20$ for shipping from China.

P.S: A Ham friend of mine, the Grundig Satellite 700 owner, liked so much the radio, I ordered another one for him.
It arrived yesterday.
Many Thanks to all.

Fernando, EA4BL.
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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-25 15:30:55 UTC
From: Phil Pasteur
Topic: 593 Message: 597

John,

I have posted about this before, but in case you missed those posts, I will reiterate.

I got my 1103 the same day I got a new Sony 7600GR. I first listened to them side by side and I was sure that the 1103 had a blown speaker or something. The Sony sounded so much better it was incredible. I had bought the Sony for my lady friend, but I was having second thoughts. I gave it to her anyway. BTW I made the mistake of having her there when I did the comparison.

I bought the parts for the KIWA audio mod and for Gary's mod, as well as the static protection diodes for the rod antenna from Kiwa. It took me about three hours to do the mods. It made a HUGE difference. The radio now sounds quite good. It is not high fidelity, after all it has a small speaker in a small enclosure. It is very clean sounding now and the frequency response is great for intelligibility on weak signals. The first time I turned it on for the lady, she just said "WOW what did you do to it?".

A few weeks ago I borrowed the Sony back to do some testing. I was very surprised to find that I found that the 1103 actually sounds much better after the modifications than the Sony does. On top of that it is more sensitive and even with the AM Synch on the Sony, I could listen to fading signals better with the Kaito.

The bottom line is that if/when you get around to doing the audio mods to your radio, I think you will be amazed at the significant improvement in the audio produced by your radio that you will hear!! Doing the mods for me has meant the radio went from being quite fatiguing to listen to ...to being a pleasure to use!!

Phil P.

1a. Initial thoughts on the KA1103
Posted by: "kf0oujf" sadatoni@... kf0oujf
Date: Thu Aug 24, 2006 9:29 am (PDT)

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598. Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-25 19:20:56 UTC
From: Jim Hackett
Topic: 593 Message: 598

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599. Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-26 16:29:01 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 593 Message: 599

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600. Re: [de1103] Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-26 17:02:40 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 593 Message: 600

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From: "Nash" <nash2042004@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
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Subject: [de1103] Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

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Leon

601. Re: [de1103] Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-26 22:55:02 UTC
From: Frank Mayer
Topic: 593 Message: 601

I just got my 1103 yesterday. I'm gonna order the Kiwa audio mod kit. I notice some audio distortion on strong AM broadcast stations. It sounds like the classic 1103 audio problems I have read about on the forum. Other than that it's a great little radio. Performs as well as my 2010.

----- Original Message -----
From: Leon Heller
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, August 26, 2006 1:02 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

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602. Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-26 23:52:14 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 593 Message: 602

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603. Re: [de1103] Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-27 01:26:58 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 593 Message: 603

On Aug 26, 2006, at 11:29 AM, Nash wrote:

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Wow, DE1107? What's that? I thought they just now came out with the
DE1106. Haven't heard anything about a 1107 yet.
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"Egun On, Lagunak!" (Basque for G'day Mates)
Pete Nalda

604. Re: [de1103] Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-27 08:15:35 UTC
From: EA4BL
Topic: 593 Message: 604

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From: Leon Heller
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, August 26, 2006 7:02 PM
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605. Re: [de1103] Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-27 10:01:38 UTC
From: Frank Mayer
Topic: 593 Message: 605

My experience with the distorted audio is only on very strong AM stations. On the weak stations is not evident.
----- Original Message -----
From: EA4BL
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, August 27, 2006 4:15 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

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606. Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-27 19:36:01 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 593 Message: 606

It never dawned on me that I may have gotten a refurbished unit. The stickers are still applied to the case and the screws appear unscratched.

I thought it was just a QC issue. Reading the posts in this group for a long time now, and it appears some 1103's are real dawgs while others shine. In other words, buying one is a crap shoot. Anyway, I emailed Degen directly to voice my dismay, but it will probably fall on deaf ears as the warranty period has expired for a while now.

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607. SSB...I'm an idiot or my Degen 1103 is broken!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-28 00:35:34 UTC
From: mcnowinski
Topic: 607 Message: 607

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Any ideas?

Thanks,

matt

608. RE: [de1103] SSB...I'm an idiot or my Degen 1103 is broken!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-28 01:25:56 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 607 Message: 608

Get the seller to send a new one!

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of mcnowinski
Sent: Sunday, August 27, 2006 8:36 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] SSB...I'm an idiot or my Degen 1103 is broken!

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609. RE: [de1103] SSB...I'm an idiot or my Degen 1103 is broken!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-28 02:35:13 UTC
From: Kenneth Lee
Topic: 607 Message: 609

Did you try tuning in a strong AM station then try listening to it in SSB? If the receiver is working you should be able to tune an AM shortwave broadcast and listen to it in SSB. If this doesn't work then you should get a replacement if that's an option.

Regards, Ken -N5SWR

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-28 02:50:47 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 607 Message: 610

Matt,

1. Set the frequency to a local MW AM station.
2. Switch to SSB mode.
3. Adjust the Fine Tuning so that the loud whistle you should be hearing goes lower in pitch to a near zero beat frequency.
4. Check if you have relatively equal travel from this position to the end stops of the Fine Tuning control.

If all above behaves as expected, your radio is capable of demodulating SSB transmissions.

As tuned in (3), you are actaully receiving AM in Exalted Carrier mode. You might find this advantageous when is causing serious distortion.

Now the DE1103 is not a great SSB radio, nor a great ECSS mode receiver - Exalted Carrier Selectable Sideband. One reason is that you cannot position the Fine Tuning far enough for the IF filter to slice off one sideband. You can shift it by 1 kHz to get more of one sideband than the other. Here's how:

5. Having tuned a SW AM broadcaster as in steps 1-3, now tune down by 1 kHz. You should hear a beat note of 1kHz.

6. Readjust Fine Tuning for zero beat. Now you are in ECSS mode, preferring the upper sideband. Note the position of the Fine Tuning control relative to the end stop.

7. Retune to the broadcaster's frequency but 1 kHz higher. If you have not diddle FT since (6), you should hear a beat note of 2 kHz.

8. Readjust Fine Tuning for zero beat. Again you are in ECSS mode, preferring the LOWER sideband. Note the position of the Fine Tuning control relative to the end stop.

SSB transmissions normally have no carrier but the missing carrier is frequently on an integer multiple of 1 kHz. Let's try to get some:

9. Having uned to a broadcaster you can trust to have a carrier on an integer multiple of 1 kHz, at step 3, 6 or 8 your radio is ready to pull in SSB transmissions also on an integer multiple of 1 kHz. Step 3 will work equally well for LSB and USB; step 6 favours USB, 8 favours LSB.

10. Tune through the 40m and 80m ham bands at night (both LSB) and the 20m (USB) and 40m ham bands day time. Some SSB stations should jump out with intelligible audio. Others will sound pretty strange but they can be tuned in with practice.

11. Once you have succeeded with the SSB signals at multiples of 1 kHz, play around with main tuning and Fine Tuning to try to clarify the others.

Good luck,

Tom VE3MEO

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611. Re: Old group gone? & Thanks, Leon!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-28 03:11:23 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 568 Message: 611

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@...> wrote:
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Tom Holden VE3MEO" <holden_family@...>
> To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Saturday, August 12, 2006 3:52 AM
> Subject: [de1103] Old group gone? & Thanks, Leon!
>
>
> > In looking for an answer to a prior post on the topic "Reality",
I wnet
> > in search of the old group and could not find it. Has it been
> > terminated? If so, too bad it could not have been cleaned up and
> > preserved.
>
> It should still be there. I check it from time to time, and post a
message
> about this group. The problem with the old group was that the
> founder/moderator seems to have disappeared and Yahoo won't allow
anyone
> else to take it over.
>
> Leon
>
What's the URL?

I've searched Yahoo!Groups using keywords such
as "1103", "Kaito", "Degen" et al without success.

Tom

612. Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-28 15:23:31 UTC
From: kf0oujf
Topic: 593 Message: 612

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>
> Wow, DE1107? What's that? I thought they just now came out with the
> DE1106. Haven't heard anything about a 1107 yet.

From what I see on the Kaito website, the 1107 is a purely analog unit.

http://www.kaitousa.com/KA1107.htm

John
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613. Degen DE11

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-28 22:24:58 UTC
From: Damon Cassell
Topic: 613 Message: 613

A new Degen DE11 has popped up on eBay. This radio was mentioned on Radio Intel (www.radiointel.com) as a new model. The auction has an actual picture of the radio. It appears to be exceptionally small, smaller than an 1102.

Unfortunately the radio being auctioned is in Australia and is not being offered by one of the usual sellers (liypn, tquchina); exchange rate from Australia is not favorable. I wonder how long it will be before the Chinese sellers offer this radio in US dollars?

http://cgi.ebay.com/DEGEN-REDSUN-D11-NEW-POCKET-MODEL-SW-FM-AM-1000-presets_W0QQitemZ300020598963QQihZ020QQcategoryZ129254QQssPageNameZWD1VQQrdZ1QQcmdZViewItem

Scroll down for actual pictures... also, specs are provided.

Damon

614. Homebrewing MW Loop but....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-29 14:00:42 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 614 Message: 614

I'm going cross country down Old Route 66 into SoCal. The trip is mainly sightseeing and some MW DX. I'll log as many MW and 75m as time allows.

MY DE-1103 is going to be my main mode of receive. I'm about to build a Loop antenna for MW and 75m but I'm not too sure how to connect it up. If I stick antenna directly into J1 it looks like I will still have to trick Q3 into turning off. Is this so?

regards,
Bob

615. Re: Homebrewing MW Loop but....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-29 22:30:27 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 614 Message: 615

No. Simply tune the loop antenna resonate to the designated station (s)---frequencies --- will be fine. If you are not very sure the outcome, keep the loop antenna to the "zero-in" station direction and rotate the DE1103 body around (with the loop antenna still connected) and compare the signal differences. Hope it helps.

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617. RE: [de1103] Homebrewing MW Loop but....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-29 23:43:40 UTC
From: Kenneth Lee
Topic: 614 Message: 617

For MW passive coupling works best, for 75-meters you'll have to plug-in.
For shortwave loops see this link.
A Magnetic Loop Antenna for Shortwave Listening (SWL) by KR1ST
http://www.kr1st.com/swlloop.htm

Or just plug in as much wire as you can stretch out.

73, Ken -N5SWR

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
yzordderrex2003
Sent: Tuesday, August 29, 2006 10:01 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Homebrewing MW Loop but....

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618. Re: Degen DE11

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-31 01:35:01 UTC
From: Don
Topic: 613 Message: 618

I haven't seen that Radio Intel mention, but looking at the listing on Ebay and claiming it has all the features of "It's big brother the 1103" is a bit misleading. Top of frequency range appears lower and I don't see anything mentioned about SSB.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Damon Cassell" <dcassell@...> wrote:
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619. Re: [de1103] Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-31 04:39:23 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 593 Message: 619

On Aug 28, 2006, at 10:23 AM, kf0oujf wrote:
>
> From what I see on the Kaito website, the 1107 is a purely analog
> unit.
>
> http://www.kaitousa.com/KA1107.htm
>
> John
Whew!! I get a little nervous when I hear about new stuff, get techno-
lust a bit. Not over an all analog unit. 's what I like so much
about the 1103. It really gives you the best of both worlds.
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"Egun On, Lagunak!" (Basque for G'day Mates)
Pete Nalda

620. Re: [de1103] Re: Degen DE11

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-08-31 14:30:27 UTC
From: Frank Mayer
Topic: 613 Message: 620

Cool looking radio!
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From: Don
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, August 30, 2006 9:35 PM
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621. Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-04 04:59:10 UTC
From: oregondxer
Topic: 593 Message: 621

Mine arrived on 8/31 and the ergonomics seem fine. Kaito really made radio engineering history with the awkward volume control, but I am slowly getting used to it. Personally, I think they were looking to cut costs by eliminating the need for another potentiometer, and in return we got sideband.

No problem with the sound on this unit unless the station is really strong, and I am parked about five miles away from three 100KW antennas on the MW band. No big deal though, the sensitivity is awesome!

I have noticed a weird little quirk when changing batteries; the radio is locked up after the change. In one instance the batteries were changed in well under a minute, and all frequencies stored in memory along with the time were completely lost. The weird thing is that I pulled the batteries one more time and the frequencies AND the correct time came back!

Anybody else seen this?

Quirks aside, this is a great little world band portable for under $100.

Tim

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "kf0oujf" <sadatoni@...> wrote:
>
> My KA1103 arrived yesterday. so I thought I would give some initial
> thoughts on it.
>
> While I've seen complaints about the ergonomics of it, I don't see any
> problems - it's just different. Shoot, the numbers are even lighted at
> night, which even my TS-850s doesn't have.
>
> The audio? Well, suffice it to say it's better than a crystal radio.
> Really, it sounds almost like a blown speaker (regardless of the
> internal one or headphones). Even the TS-850's audio is better.
>
> The manual makes no mention of the rating of the included batteries, so
> I have no clue how long they are supposed to be charged. I gave them
> an hour last night, but I do not believe that was enough as on the bus
> ride to work this morning (1-1/2 hours) it shows them half discharged.
> Should have brought the AC adapter with me to work.
>
> Speaking of the bus ride, it was a pleasure to have this radio with me.
> The little AM/FM I had been using on the bus would often lose the
> stations I listen to when going under overpasses and at the southen
> end of my trip (from olympia to seattle). I had no such problem

> today. A little weakening of the signal was all. This is one of
> the reasons for getting this radio. I got tired of hearing something
> interesting, only to lose an important part because of an
> overpass.
>
> At the apt. where I live, I do have an image problem - a local
> station that broadcasts on 1280 kHz also shows up at 380 kHz. I
> double-checked this freq. on the TS just to be sure it really
> is an image. I suspect the transmitter is fairly close to my
> residence.
>
> SW wise, it seems every bit as good as the DX-440 I had a long time
> ago. While I haven't run across an SSB station yet, I did test
> zero beating it against an AM broadcast, so it will be easy to work
> with for SSB, though I'd rather have a dial than a thumb-wheel.
>
> Haven't used the external antenna that came with it yet, nor the
> alarms or sleep modes. And it does MW DX much better than the TS does
> (darn TS attenuates that band on purpose - can just barely pick
> up a Seattle station when it's xmitting at low power).
>
> All-in-all, I'm quite pleased with the radio. Maybe someday I'll do
> that audio mod to it.
>
> John
> KF0OU/7
>

622. Re: [de1103] Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-04 05:48:15 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 593 Message: 622

----- Original Message -----
From: "oregondxer" <oregondxer@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, September 04, 2006 5:59 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

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That's a common problem, mine does it as well. I press reset which keeps the memory contents but I lose the time setting. A large capacitor across the battery connector might cure it.

Leon

623. Anybody know what is in that loop antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-06 01:19:43 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 623 Message: 623

I had a brainstorm this afternoon.

I have been playing around with some homebrew loop antennas for a trip I am taking. The point of the trip is a cross-country MW Dxpedition. That's right, I hope to log as many of the little 1kw broadcast stations as I can on a 14 day coast to coast journey using my KA-1103. I just built a 9" loop that I couple into the internal ferrite rod with no electrical connection. It works nice but is a little cumbersome in that I have to stick the radio inside the loop in order to get good results.

I am considering putting together a larger loop antenna and trying to use the KA-31 amplifier to resonate with the loop. Anybody know what's inside the loop as far as a variable capacitor and an amplifier?

73
NEO

624. WxFax help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-05 21:18:15 UTC
From: kwing175
Topic: 624 Message: 624

Can anyone give me the ins and outs of Wxfax with a KA1103.

I bought the KA 1103 hoping to recieve Wxfax signals and decode on my laptop while sailing. No luck receiving the signal here in Houston,TX.

1. Is this the correct radio? Will it recieve WXfax signals?

2. Are there special antenna considerations?

I was sailing in Norway this summer and a friend had a little SSB reciever made by NASA Marine (sold by SITEX in the US). The laptop was running "Weather Fax 2000" the results were superb.

Any help appreciated.
Keith

625. Re: Anybody know what is in that loop antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-06 16:57:48 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 623 Message: 625

See and read http://www.kr1st.com/swlloop.htm
Scroll down to "Coupling loop."

Just above en under you will read this:
The main part of the SSTML is now finished. You can already test it by holding the whip antenna of your shortwave receiver very close to the upper half of the loop and tune the receiver to, say, 15 MHz. Rotate the tuning wheel clockwise until it doesn't go any further. Then slowly rotate the tuning wheel counter clockwise. At some point you will notice an increase in the noise coming from your receiver, and perhaps you'll even be able to hear the WWV station. There will definitely be a peak in the noise, and when you rotate the tuning wheel further, the noise will decrease again.

The next step is to build the coupling loop that will pick up the energy generated in the main loop and offer it to the receiver.

Coupling Loop

When you look at the many designs of magnetic loops on the internet, or in various other publications, you'll notice that there are different ways to construct coupling loops. Some don't even use a loop, but a gamma match to connect the magnetic loop to the feedline. However, this would require another variable capacitor. Other designs use a coupling loop built from coax cable, and the center conductor and braid have to be connected in a certain way to minimize noise pickup. I've experimented quite a bit with different types of coupling loops, including complex ones built from 4 pieces of coax, but I noticed no difference in performance compared to the simple wire loop. So let's keep this simple.

I constructed the coupling loop from solid #14 house wire. The size of the wire is not critical at all; just pick a size of whatever you have laying around that will keep its shape once mounted on the PVC support pipe. The length of the wire should be about 2 feet if the circumference of the main loop is 10 feet. In other words the length of the wire for the coupling loop is one fifth of that of the main loop.
++

Have a nice trip and/or brainstorm!!!

Gr./Reg.: jan

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626. Headphone vol (was Re: My modification experience so far)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-08 01:39:34 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 585 Message: 626

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "yzordderrex2003" <yzordderrex2003@...>
wrote:
>
> Rad Shack has the in-line volume control for pretty cheep I think.
> Probably Target and Wall Mart too.

I tried using one of those gadgets for dropping the line-out level to something the mic input of a digital pocket recorder would accept, until I discovered it was simpler to just connect the recorder directly to the earphone jack and turn the radio down to about "2" (the 1103 is very quiet on batteries, so this works), and listen via headphones plugged into line output. But it also works as an attenuator on longwire ant, though I now have a 4mHz highpass filter on the longwire (due to nearby MW AM stas) and the lo/dx switch provides sufficient control.

Panasonic RP-HT355 phones are modestly priced, comfy, and my main listening phones for radio/TV/computer, have vol control inline at the Y of the cord (mid-chest level). Note these are bass-ported, so I would not call them "hi fi."

Sony MDR-V250 also inexpensive, smaller (rest on rather than going around ears), plus have the rare feature of a mono/stereo switch in the line along with a vol ctrl, making them very handy commo cans.

Got both in local-chain dept. store. Don't remember the price of either but I'm poor and wouldn't have spent more than $30 on headphones.

627. Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-08 01:59:00 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 593 Message: 627

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "kf0oujf" <sadatoni@...> wrote:
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> Haven't used the external antenna that came with it yet, nor the
> alarms or sleep modes.

The sleep mode is one of my fave features; it is extremely convenient.
Just punch in 3-0-(pwr) and nighty-nite!

Another very thoughtful design feature is that you can turn it off
(one touch) even when the keypad is locked, as after finding a station
I ususally lock it, as any nudge of the protruding knob will bump it
off station.

628. Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-08 02:09:49 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 593 Message: 628

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Frank Mayer" <wy3d@...> wrote:
>
> I just got my 1103 yesterday. I'm gonna order the Kiwa audio mod kit. I notice some audio distortion on strong AM broadcast stations. It sounds like the classic 1103 audio problems I have read about on the forum. Other than that it's a great little radio. Performs as well as my 2010.

Remember the lo/dx switch. I do have to toggle that continually while working up/down the MW AM band.

629. Re: Old group gone? & Thanks, Leon!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-08 02:21:51 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 568 Message: 629

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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tom Holden VE3MEO" <holden_family@...>
wrote:
>
> > > In looking for an answer to a prior post on the topic "Reality",
> I wnet
> > > in search of the old group and could not find it.

...

> What's the URL?
>
> I've searched Yahoo!Groups using keywords such
> as "1103", "Kaito", "Degen" et al without success.

The old group is http://groups.yahoo.com/group/kaito-de1103/

It's become upleasant, I don't look there any more.

The thread "Reality" was in *this* group a month back, try the Search
window just above the subject line here.
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630. Re: Degen DE11

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-08 02:40:53 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 613 Message: 630

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Damon Cassell" <dcassell@...> wrote:
>
> A new Degen DE11 has popped up on eBay. This radio was mentioned on
> Radio Intel (www.radiointel.com) as a new model. The auction has an
> actual picture of the radio. It appears to be exceptionally small,
> smaller than an 1102.
>
> Unfortunately the radio being auctioned is in Australia and is not
> being offered by one of the usual sellers (liypn, tquchina); exchange
> rate from Australia is not favorable. I wonder how long it will be
> before the Chinese sellers offer this radio in US dollars?

Check eBay again; I see our friend Lipyn is offering them now. $35
plus $20 shipping; wow cheaper than my 1103 was.

Which made me wonder. The photo of it at
http://www.radiointel.com/Radpic/kaito/ka11.jpg does not reveal "dual
conversion" lettered on the case, so I doubt it truly has "all the
features of its big brother" as claimed on the Aussie site. At least
until I see specs.

(The only dual-conversion pocket-size I know of is the Tecsun R9702,
which has no BFO and is not quite as senstive, and analog with only
X.xx mHz digital readout, but is very easy to use, has stereo FM on
the earphone jack, and a lot of fun. However it seems to no longer be
in production.)

Hey, what happened to Degen China's home page? I never bookmarked it
and can't seem to find it in Google.

631. Re: Homebrewing MW Loop but....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-08 02:58:49 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 614 Message: 631

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "yzordderrex2003" <yzordderrex2003@...>
wrote:
>
> I'm going cross country down Old Route 66 into SoCal. The trip is
> mainly sightseeing and some MW DX. I'll log as many MW and 75m as
> time allows.
>
> MY DE-1103 is going to be my main mode of receive. I'm about to
> build a Loop antenna for MW and 75m but I'm not too sure how to
> connect it up. If I stick antenna directly into J1 it looks like I
> will still have to trick Q3 into turning off. Is this so?

Depends on which rev. of the 1103 you have. My Rev 2 (dated "04 05
03") purchased in July 2004 (so we presume was made in May 2004)
accepts MW on the ant jack, but at some later point this changed,
which is why someone makes an inductive coupler to place by the
internal ferrite coil.

I have read that the trick of scanning down from the "magic frequency"
to set a memory button below 100kHz will enable the ant jack
connection for LW without making any mods, but having the early model
I have not been able to confirm this nor determine whether it works on MW.

632. Re: [de1103] Re: Degen DE11

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-08 03:03:16 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 613 Message: 632

On Sep 7, 2006, at 9:40 PM, jeffkopp wrote:

> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Damon Cassell" <dcassell@...> wrote:
>>
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>> Radio Intel (www.radiointel.com) as a new model. The auction has an
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> http://www.radiointel.com/Radpic/kaito/ka11.jpg does not reveal "dual
> conversion" lettered on the case, so I doubt it truly has "all the
> features of its big brother" as claimed on the Aussie site. At least
> until I see specs.

That's also not a photo. Don't know why they labeled it .jpg but
looks more like a drawing, imho.
>
> (The only dual-conversion pocket-size I know of is the Tecsun R9702,
> which has no BFO and is not quite as senstive, and analog with only
> X.xx mHz digital readout, but is very easy to use, has stereo FM on
> the earphone jack, and a lot of fun. However it seems to no longer be
> in production.)
>
> Hey, what happened to Degen China's home page? I never bookmarked it
> and can't seem to find it in Google.
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"Egun On, Lagunak!" (Basque for G'day Mates)
Pete Nalda

633. Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-08 03:22:49 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 593 Message: 633

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "oregondxer" <oregondxer@...> wrote:
>

> I have noticed a weird little quirk when changing batteries; the radio
> is locked up after the change. In one instance the batteries were
> changed in well under a minute, and all frequencies stored in memory
> along with the time were completely lost. The weird thing is that I
> pulled the batteries one more time and the frequencies AND the correct
> time came back!
>
> Anybody else seen this?

Yup. I found the secret is to not rush it. Wait a few moments between removal and replacement, then put 'em in carefully.

The original supplied Degen NiMHs were discovered to be a mm or two shorter than standard, which caused some intermittent connection problems.

So I think the problem is a momentary power blink caused by fumbling the batteries during insertion, confusing the radio. My original "short" batteries have since worn out and have had no probs since replacing them with Energizer 2500s.

> No problem with the sound on this unit unless the station is really
> strong, and I am parked about five miles away from three 100KW
> antennas on the MW band.

Sounds like you're in my neighborhood, known among the locals as Portland's "Bermuda triangle of the AM band." I resorted to spending about $30 on a high-bandpass filter for my crude longwire, as the overload-images went all the up to 6mHz, and I still get some harmonics. (Now that 620 is multiplexed onto 1190 plus 1190 running IBOC during daylight hoo-boy. BTW, KEX is 50KW but the others are 10.)

Some unfortunates who live between Jennings Lodge and Town Center get QRM on their phone lines, wacking their dial-up modems, and probably on their toasters too.

634. Re: Degen DE11

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-08 03:36:35 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 613 Message: 634

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jeffkopp" <jeffkopp@...> wrote:

> Hey, what happened to Degen China's home page? I never bookmarked it
> and can't seem to find it in Google.

Sorry, never mind, found it again at
http://www.degen.com.cn/english/info.asp

>.... The photo of it at
> http://www.radiointel.com/Radpic/kaito/ka11.jpg does not reveal "dual
> conversion" lettered on the case, so I doubt it truly has "all the
> features of its big brother" as claimed on the Aussie site. At least
> until I see specs.

They have no English page for the DE11 (yet, or perhaps Kaito is going
to do all the Western marketing), but here are their specs (horribly
long URL follows, sorry):

http://translate.google.com/translate?hl=en&sl=zh-CN&u=http://www.degen.com.cn/product/product_detail.asp%3Fid%3D85%26producttype%3D%25E6%2595%25B0%25E5%25AD%2597%25E8%25B0%2583%25E8%25B0%2590%25E6%2594%25B6%25E9%259F%25B3%25E6%259C%25BA&sa=X&oi=translate&resnum=2&ct=result&prev=/search%3Fq%3Dsite:http://www.degen.com.cn%2Bde11%26hl%3Den%26lr%3D%26sa%3DG

635. How about the DE101? (was Re: Degen DE11)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-08 03:05:21 UTC
From: mr__simon
Topic: 613 Message: 635

And here is another small Degen radio. It looks a lot like one of my
all time favorites, the Sony ICF-SW1S:

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=5861793427&fromMakeTrack=true
>
> Hey, what happened to Degen China's home page? I never bookmarked it
> and can't seem to find it in Google.
>

http://www.degen.com.cn/english/info.asp

636. Re: [de1103] How about the DE101? (was Re: Degen DE11)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-08 14:16:12 UTC
From: Duncan Lamb
Topic: 613 Message: 636

Anyone else find it strange that the name 'Degen' on the radio is masked by the 'NIB' bubble in the photos? At least I assume that's what's under there, but it dosn't say Degen anywhere in the text either for that matter (even the photo of the antenna manufacturer has the name masked out by a bubble). Strange...

Duncan

mr__simon wrote:
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> all time favorites, the Sony ICF-SW1S:
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> <http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=5861793427&fromMakeTrack=true>
> >
> > Hey, what happened to Degen China's home page? I never bookmarked it
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> <http://www.degen.com.cn/english/info.asp>
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637. Re: SSB...I'm an idiot or my Degen 1103 is broken!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-08 14:32:32 UTC
From: mcnowinski
Topic: 607 Message: 637

Tom (and rest),

Thanks so much for your troubleshooting tips. As I was coming to realize, the radio is defective. It does not tune SSB, but AM/FM seem fine. Rather than returning it to China ($30 round trip), I have given it to my father-in-law (bedside radio), and purchased another 1103 locally. The new one is working great in SSB too!

Thanks again!

-matt

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tom Holden VE3MEO" <holden_family@...> wrote:
>
> Matt,
>
> 1. Set the frequency to a local MW AM station.
> 2. Switch to SSB mode.
> 3. Adjust the Fine Tuning so that the loud whistle you should be
> hearing goes lower in pitch to a near zero beat frequency.
> 4. Check if you have relatively equal travel from this position to the
> end stops of the Fine Tuning control.
>
> If all above behaves as expected, your radio is capable of demodulating
> SSB transmissions.
>
> As tuned in (3), you are actaully receiving AM in Exalted Carrier mode.
> You might find this advantageous when is causing serious distortion.
>
> Now the DE1103 is not a great SSB radio, nor a great ECSS mode
> receiver - Exalted Carrier Selectable Sideband. One reason is that you
> cannot position the Fine Tuning far enough for the IF filter to slice
> off one sideband. You can shift it by 1 kHz to get more of one sideband
> than the other. Here's how:
>
> 5. Having tuned a SW AM broadcaster as in steps 1-3, now tune down by 1
> kHz. You should hear a beat note of 1kHz.
>
> 6. Readjust Fine Tuning for zero beat. Now you are in ECSS mode,
> preferring the upper sideband. Note the position of the Fine Tuning
> control relative to the end stop.
>
> 7. Retune to the broadcaster's frequency but 1 kHz higher. If you have
> not diddle FT since (6), you should hear a beat note of 2 kHz.
>

> 8. Readjust Fine Tuning for zero beat. Again you are in ECSS mode,
> preferring the LOWER sideband. Note the position of the Fine Tuning
> control relative to the end stop.
>
> SSB transmissions normally have no carrier but the missing carrier is
> frequently on an integer multiple of 1 kHz. Let's try to get some:
>
> 9. Having uned to a broadcaster you can trust to have a carrier on an
> integer multiple of 1 kHz, at step 3, 6 or 8 your radio is ready to
> pull in SSB transmissions also on an integer multiple of 1 kHz. Step 3
> will work equally well for LSB and USB; step 6 favours USB, 8 favours
> LSB.
>
> 10. Tune through the 40m and 80m ham bands at night (both LSB) and the
> 20m (USB) and 40m ham bands day time. Some SSB stations should jump out
> with intelligible audio. Others will sound pretty strange but they can
> be tuned in with practice.
>
> 11. Once you have succeeded with the SSB signals at multiples of 1 kHz,
> play around with main tuning and Fine Tuning to try to clarify the
> others.
>
> Good luck,
>
> Tom VE3MEO
>
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "mcnowinski" <mcnowinski@> wrote:
> >
> > All,
> >
> > Thanks for so many great tips. I have tried them all, but have never
> > successfully tuned in an SSB transmission...:(
> >
> > I am now wondering whether I might have a defective unit - but have no
> > idea how I can verify this. As a newbie, I continue to suspect
> > operator error - but with each unsuccessful attempt, I become less
> > sure. This unit was purchased from an overseas seller on EBay - so
> > warranty work, if needed. is probably out of the question.
> >
> > Any ideas?
> >
> > Thanks,
> >
> > matt
> >
>

638. How about the DE101? (was Re: Degen DE11)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-08 14:45:42 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 613 Message: 638

According to the Ebay rule(s) a German IT firm already used
(registed ?) the trade name "Degen" --- despite the fact that nothing
to do with radios ! Thus any saling item with the word Degen is not
allowed to sale in the Ebay.(see discussions in the "former" Degen
Forum months ago) In short it is definately a Degen radio.

PS Believe NIB means New-In-Box

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>
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masked
> by the 'NIB' bubble in the photos? At least I assume that's what's
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> there, but it dosn't say Degen anywhere in the text either for that
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> >
>

639. Re: Initial thoughts on the KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-09 08:57:07 UTC
From: jacques_quintallet
Topic: 593 Message: 639

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>
> That's a common problem, mine does it as well. I press reset which
keeps the
> memory contents but I lose the time setting. A large capacitor
across the
> battery connector might cure it.
>
> Leon
>
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From what I read here and there, this is normal : they say the memory contents are intact, but you do lose the time setting when you take out the batteries. Which should happen rarely anyway, since the provided NiMhs and the "intelligent" charger (indicating optimal charging time depending on use of batteriess since last charge) should keep them working for a really long time. At least that's what happens with the Degen one (shipped from China to France), I don't know whether they send the same charger with the Kaito (considering it is much more expensive while basically the same, my guess is they should...).

640. Quality control problems with DE1103?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-12 05:05:35 UTC
From: texnote
Topic: 640 Message: 640

Hello,

After reading many positive reviews all over the web and here, I'm very interested in buying a DE1103. However I'm also concerned about apparently recent quality control problems with this radio - 2 samples from the same production run and serial number series can be totally opposite each other in performance. One fantastic, the other very poor. There have also been reports of problems coming up after a short time (see eham.net reviews when one user reports failure of the SSB detector within 2 weeks of purchase).

Is there any way the sellers in China can test the radios before shipping them? Or are there any indications this issue may be temporary and we should just wait it out?

641. Re: [de1103] Quality control problems with DE1103?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-12 09:48:56 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 640 Message: 641

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----- Original Message -----
From: "texnote" <texnote@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 12, 2006 6:05 AM
Subject: [de1103] Quality control problems with DE1103?

> Hello,
>
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> interested in buying a DE1103. However I'm also concerned about
> apparently recent quality control problems with this radio - 2 samples
> from the same production run and serial number series can be totally
> opposite each other in performance. One fantastic, the other very poor.
> There have also been reports of problems coming up after a short time
> (see eham.net reviews when one user reports failure of the SSB detector
> within 2 weeks of purchase).
>
> Is there any way the sellers in China can test the radios before
> shipping them? Or are there any indications this issue may be temporary
> and we should just wait it out?

That is why the radios are so cheap. Products like these are intended to be
imported by wholesalers and sold in shops. This makes it easy for the
customer to return a faulty unit and the shopkeeper returns them to the
importer for a refund, who then claims off the manufacturer. The
manufacturer can afford to cut corners with QC as the number of returns will
be quite small - it's a calculated risk. By importing the radios ourselves
we are getting them cheap, but taking all the risks on ourselves. If they
were imported in the usual way they would have to conform to CE requirements
(in the EC). That, and the rest of the distribution chain, would probably
add at least 50% to the price.

Leon
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642. How about the DE101? (was Re: Degen DE11)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-12 12:50:10 UTC
From: Fabrizio
Topic: 613 Message: 642

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Duncan Lamb <duncan.lamb@...> wrote:
>
> Anyone else find it strange that the name 'Degen' on the radio is
> masked by the 'NIB' bubble in the photos?

Old story, the Degen name cannot be used in Ebay for some copyright
reason.
As far as I know, 'NIB' stands for 'new in the box'.

Fab

643. RE: [de1103] Quality control problems with DE1103?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-12 18:40:29 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 640 Message: 643

Tao Qu will test the unit before he sends it out. Just ask, he did it for me and mine is a wonderful unit. Josh

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of texnote
Sent: Tuesday, September 12, 2006 1:06 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Quality control problems with DE1103?

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Is there any way the sellers in China can test the radios before shipping them? Or are there any indications this issue may be temporary and we should just wait it out?

644. Re: Quality control problems with DE1103?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-13 08:51:23 UTC
From: jeffkopp
Topic: 640 Message: 644

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@...> wrote:

>it's a calculated risk. By importing the radios ourselves
> we are getting them cheap, but taking all the risks on ourselves.
> If they were imported in the usual way they would have ... add at
> least 50% to the price.
>
> Leon

Well said. While hardy souls (with sharper vision) are digging into such tiny things as these with soldering irons, the adventure of assembly ended for me when layered PC boards hit the scene, and only shopping or salvage exploits remain.

It's like thrift-shopping for computer parts; if I can get a pair of decent VGAs or CD-ROMs each for less than half the cost of new, and one is toast, I break even (more or less); if both are good, I've got a spare for fixer-uppers for friends/family. Mom's listening to her jazz CDs on a Soundblaster I snagged for $2 at Goodwill. A bad Caviar worked fine partitioned to only its first two-thirds, and was her main hard drive for a couple years.

(I've even dumpster-dived for useful parts; folks pull their hard drives but often leave useful RAM, CPUs and floppies. Then there was the notorious "Road Kill 486"--I ran over it one dark night after it must have fallen off a truck--which yielded 64MB of SIMMs that I badly needed, back in the day.)

But I digress. I guess I got lucky with my Rev 2 1103, though I finally quieted my desk down enough that I could connect its line output to my computer. I was dismayed when a look at the signal in an editor revealed the line output clips flat on the negative side at -6db, the only flaw I've found in my unit. However, the speaker output is not so impaired, so I still have a decent recording source, though not quite as convenient.

How I beat back some of the RFI: For those who recall my struggle to make a useful antenna in my apartment despite my inability to string visible wire or wind a coil, I put a TV balun across my hidden 30' wire (stapled under eaves, which curiously attracted a brief inquiry by the cable TV company) and ground, feeding coax to my $28 I.C.E. highpass filter (due to 4 AM BCs within 3 mi) and a shielded audio patchcord from there to the receiver. Fiddling with the antenna connections, I discovered by reversal that the balun was bad (open on one side). Listening is much more pleasant with enough signal to leave the DX switch in "LO," and finally able to snag CHU, gaining hope to

hear some Europe as well as Delano and Asia here in the PNW.

Jeff

645. New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-15 09:43:35 UTC
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343 Message: 645

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Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the de1103
group.

File : /Ramant.jpg
Uploaded by : krysatec <krysatec@...>
Description : Frame antenna for 230-1660kHz

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/Ramant.jpg

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/files

Regards,

krysatec <krysatec@...>
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646. My 1103 Just Died- Tuning Wheel Stopped Working.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-16 12:30:27 UTC
From: mushlee
Topic: 646 Message: 646

The tuning wheel stopped working again for the 3rd time, unfortunately for good. I'm going for another brand as Kaito appears to have serious quality control issues. I'd like to find something that isn't manufactured in China as their goods are fast becoming a major part of the "throwaway" market.

647. Re: [de1103] My 1103 Just Died- Tuning Wheel Stopped Working.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-16 13:20:03 UTC
From: Thad Larson
Topic: 646 Message: 647

For the record, what did you do in the past to fix it ?

Thad

mushlee <mushlee@...> wrote:
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Do you Yahoo!?
Everyone is raving about the all-new Yahoo! Mail.

648. Re: [de1103] My 1103 Just Died- Tuning Wheel Stopped Working.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-16 13:24:45 UTC
From: Frank Mayer
Topic: 646 Message: 648

Just an idea. I noticed that when i did the Kiwa mods on my 1103 the wires that are attached to the tuning wheel pot are very poorly connected. I removed the three wires, restripped them, and reattached them. Originally they were held on by a thread!! If you can remove the back of the radio and check these wires.
----- Original Message -----
From: mushlee
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, September 16, 2006 8:30 AM
Subject: [de1103] My 1103 Just Died- Tuning Wheel Stopped Working.

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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG Free Edition.
Version: 7.1.405 / Virus Database: 268.12.4/448 - Release Date: 9/14/2006

649. RE: [de1103] My 1103 Just Died- Tuning Wheel Stopped Working.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-16 14:42:39 UTC
From: Kenneth Lee
Topic: 646 Message: 649

Good luck with your quest to find something not made in China! I have a Sony 7600GR, made in Japan, and the olume control doesn't work right, but maybe it just needs a squirt of cleaner.

73, Ken -N5SWR

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of mushlee
Sent: Saturday, September 16, 2006 8:30 AM
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650. Interesting find

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-16 16:52:38 UTC
From: war4prez2002
Topic: 650 Message: 650

Although it's listed as spanish in passport right now out of Radio Havana they are covering the non aligned movement live in English...

651. Re: My 1103 Just Died- Tuning Wheel Stopped Working.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-16 17:51:48 UTC
From: mushlee
Topic: 646 Message: 651

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Thad Larson <highwayman_33402@...> wrote:
>
> For the record, what did you do in the past to fix it ?
>
> Thad

When it first happened, I opened the radio and just jiggled the lump of translucent fixative right next to the tuning wheel and it started working again. I don't know why it started working again then and a couple of times after when the wheel stopped working. I don't really know my way around the insides of a radio, but I didn't have anything to lose by getting inside the case at that point. I thought perhaps the wires or the conglomerate of translucent stuff might have been touching something that it shouldn't have been touching or there was a bad contact, etc. so that's what I essentially did. I'm very disappointed that the 1103 died so quickly. I also bought the Kaito amplified antenna with it so I'm looking for another radio that can use the antenna given its connector. And I bought a nice pair of Klipsch Promedia speakers which I hooked up to the 1103 so I had a really sweet setup that was my bedroom stereo-shortwave-alarm clock. I'm thinking of getting the Sony 7600 if I can find it for a good price although I know Sony products have their problems also. I'm hoping the AC adaptor for the 1103 will work on the Sony since the adapter is sold separately which I find hard to believe but that is Sony's m.o. Buying consumer electronics has turned into a crap shoot lately. I bought an Onkyo receiver about three years ago and one of the rear channels intermittently goes out-ridiculous. I have receivers that I bought nearly 20 years ago that are still working perfectly; I have a Zenith pocket radio that was given to me nearly 40 years ago that still works so go figure.

652. Re: [de1103] Re: My 1103 Just Died- Tuning Wheel Stopped Working.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-16 18:23:04 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 646 Message: 652

----- Original Message -----
From: "mushlee" <mushlee@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, September 16, 2006 6:51 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: My 1103 Just Died- Tuning Wheel Stopped Working.

> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Thad Larson <highwayman_33402@...> wrote:
>>
>> For the record, what did you do in the past to fix it ?
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>> Thad
>
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> of translucent fixative right next to the tuning wheel and it started
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> know my way around the insides of a radio, but I didn't have anything
> to lose by getting inside the case at that point. I thought perhaps
> the wires or the conglomerate of translucent stuff might have been
> touching something that it shouldn't have been touching or there was a
> bad contact, etc. so that's what I essentially did.

Sounds like hot-melt glue, it's often used to secure wires in radios. If you
remove it you should be able to fix the bad connection to the rotary
encoder.

Leon
--
Leon Heller, G1HSM
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653. Re: My 1103 Just Died- Tuning Wheel Stopped Working.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-16 19:02:46 UTC
From: texnote
Topic: 646 Message: 653

Interesting, and sad that this problem with your radio came days after I asked the group about quality control issues with the DE1103. Degen really needs to get its act together with QC. Believe me for some of us, myself included, $100 is not throwaway money, as little as $100 may sound to many people these days ...

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "mushlee" <mushlee@...> wrote:
>
> The tuning wheel stopped working again for the 3rd time, unfortunately
> for good. I'm going for another brand as Kaito appears to have
> serious quality control issues. I'd like to find something that isn't
> manufactured in China as their goods are fast becoming a major part of
> the "throwaway" market.
>

654. Re: Interesting find

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-16 22:20:58 UTC
From: Jim Hackett
Topic: 650 Message: 654

Did I miss something?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "war4prez2002" <mdovell@...> wrote:
>
> Although it's listed as spanish in passport right now out of Radio
> Havana they are covering the non aligned movement live in English...
>

655. RE: [de1103] My 1103 Just Died- Tuning Wheel Stopped Working.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-17 01:28:39 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 646 Message: 655

You must have an older one. The newer 1103's have the ALPS encoder tuning. I have an old Kaito with bad tuning wheel.

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of mushlee
Sent: Saturday, September 16, 2006 8:30 AM
To: de1103@...m
Subject: [de1103] My 1103 Just Died- Tuning Wheel Stopped Working.

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656. Re: My 1103 Just Died- Tuning Wheel Stopped Working.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-17 12:36:04 UTC
From: mushlee
Topic: 646 Message: 656

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
>
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> have an old Kaito with bad tuning wheel.
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Behalf Of
> mushlee
> Sent: Saturday, September 16, 2006 8:30 AM
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [de1103] My 1103 Just Died- Tuning Wheel Stopped Working.
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> The tuning wheel stopped working again for the 3rd time, unfortunately
> for good...

I'm not sure what that means but are you saying if I buy another 1103
then I won't have the tuning wheel problem because the newer models
use a different technology? I'm tempted to purchase another one
because I loved the features on the radio and think it's a bit better
than the Sony 7600GR (and Sony does have its failures too) but I don't
want to be stupid about it. I bought my 1103 at a place called
Radios4You and it was $79.95 which is $30 cheaper than Kaito is
selling it for. I'm wondering if they may be selling a lesser batch
of 1103s because they're selling it so cheaply? I'm wondering if
whomever I purchase it from could test it for me so I know I'll be
getting one that's fully functional? Thanks for that bit of info..

657. Re: [de1103] Re: My 1103 Just Died- Tuning Wheel Stopped Working.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-17 14:28:16 UTC
From: Thad Larson
Topic: 646 Message: 657

Couple of questions for the group...
Has anybody actually changed the encoder to find that the radio began working?
Do the Kiwa mods work for only the KA1103 ? or the DE1103 as well.

Let me digress -
A few weeks ago, I was looking inside my De1103 to determine how easy it would be to upgrade my sound (Kiwa mod) and replace the encoder. My encoder was quite flaky (De1103 is over 1 year old) before I opened it up. Typically, the jog dial problem goes away when the radio is open. This time the jog dial was bad with the radio open. I tested the legs of the jog dial - 2.85 VDC. My first thought was that the voltage regulator was going bad and the voltage wasn't enough to register as logic level high. When it did work occasionally, the voltage was still 2.85 VDC. I turned the wheel to watch the voltage alternate between 0 and 2.85 volts.

I managed to resolder the shield (with the four solder points) during this process. Then the jog dial quit working altogether. I resoldered the shield and the jog dial started working again. Now the error that I see is there is a glitch when the wheel is in a certain location and the glitch repeats when the wheel is 360 degrees from that spot. The numbers will increment/decrement opposite of the direction that the wheel is turned. That is DEFINITELY a jog dial problem, but one that I can live with.

I am interested in the groups opinions about why the jog dial would be affected by re-soldering the shield.

In my quest for a replacement encoder, I found that I had trouble finding a direct replacement. I ended up shortening the shaft and adding threads to the shaft of one that had no detents. I haven't replaced the jog dial yet. Following the addage "If it works, don't fix it". Unless I decide to perform the audio mods. But I did manage to think up something that may resolve the ergonomics of the volume. Many encoders have a push switch that allow you to turn the encoder and push in the dial to activate another switch. Why not wire that switch to the volume pads. Just an idea...

And the reason I ask about the Kiwa mods - I am 99% certain that the mods work for the Degen version. Same radio, different label, but I would like to be 100% certain. I have asked them directly, but have yet to receive an answer. I hope their response to payment is better. I also know that if I make the mods, then I will replace the jog dial too. I am not as motivated to open up my Degen now that the jog dial works consistently.

Best Regards,
Thad

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658. Re: [de1103] Re: My 1103 Just Died- Tuning Wheel Stopped Working.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-17 16:34:50 UTC
From: Ron
Topic: 646 Message: 658

Mushlee,

To give you some hope, I very recently purchased the Kaito 1103 from Radios4You. The reason that I
went with the 1103 is because it replaced my old Sony ICF-7700, which I enjoyed much. The 1103 has
the similar LCD analog dial as the 7700. The 1103 that I received from Radios4You is excellent! After
reading all the complaints on the net about the early 1103's, I was very hesitant to dive into the 1103.
To my pleasant surprise the new 1103 has been excellent! The audio is great, with very good sensitivity,
selectivity and stability, especially when listening to SSB or CW. I'm impressed with this radio! Also,
the people at Radios4You are very prompt, and a great internet vendor to deal with. I have been in radio
for over 45 years and have no regrets buying the KA-1103.

If there is a problem with a new KA-1103, at least you would have a stateside importer to fall back on if
needed, if you bought it in the country.

Hope this helps.

Ron WB9BDZ

659. Re: My 1103 Just Died- Tuning Wheel Stopped Working.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-18 00:49:50 UTC
From: mushlee
Topic: 646 Message: 659

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Ron <rkeuler@...> wrote:
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> needed, if you bought it in the country.
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> Ron WB9BDZ

It does help, thanks; I liked the service at radios4you.com and would like to get another radio from them so that makes my decision to buy from them easier. I think I'm going to try the Kaito 1102 instead of the 1103. I haven't read about any consistent problems with it and I think it's probably as good as the 1103. I really don't want to spend the money for the Sony 7600, which is twice as much as the Kaito, and I don't want to possibly make the same mistake twice with another 1103 as I would be kicking myself if it crapped out too.

660. RE: [de1103] Re: My 1103 Just Died- Tuning Wheel Stopped Working.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-18 12:41:06 UTC
From: Kenneth Lee
Topic: 646 Message: 660

I have the 1102 and I really enjoy it. It probably gets more use than any of my other portable receivers because it works almost as well as the 7600GR and is more portable. The 1102 and the DE-31 active loop make a great listening station for travelers.
73, Ken -N5SWR

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of mushlee
Sent: Sunday, September 17, 2006 8:50 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: My 1103 Just Died- Tuning Wheel Stopped Working.

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661. Degen DE1103 Quality control issues

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-19 23:02:48 UTC
From: Claire Cruz
Topic: 661 Message: 661

Hi again!

The latest disturbing reports of bad batch of DE1103
is really disappointing
as I plan to get another copy of this radio since it
is one of the best
portable radio I have, even better than the more
expensive and made in
Japan Sony ICF-SW7600GR. I guess I might as well look
or wait for something
else. As to why Degen suddenly redesigned or changed
there QC on this
particular model is beyond me. On the initial batch of
DE1103 the AC-DC
adapter that came with it (the sealed ones) used 7806
voltage regulator
chip which gives it exactly 6 volts DC even when
loaded and is well
regulated I even use it on my 7600GR as the DC plug
and polarity are fit
for the Sony as well as the DE1103. The new ones
reportedly doesn't use
chip regulator anymore but just your plain
diode-capacitor configuration
thereby giving a "noisy" 10vdc output. The cost
cutting measure Degen did
is creating a big problem to new buyers. However the
smaller DE1102 seems
to be unaffected since there is no disturbing reports
of failures on this
model unlike the DE1103. I never had any problem with
my 1102 yet since
using it daily since buying it in Oct. 2004 direct in
Hong Kong. My DE1103
is now stored along with my other radios. I'm only
using the DE1102 (for
bed time) & Sangean ATS-505 (for SSB) at the moment.

Just my thoughts

Dennis, DV7-BKO
Bohol island, the Philippines

P.S.

Check this out if you haven't yet - the new Redsun
RP3000 dual conversion
Digital tabletop receiver. I'm looking forward in
getting this to replace
my not so impressive Tecsun BCL-3000. It has 1,000
memories, does SSB and
reportedly can receive VHF Air Band too (but no
squelch control).

http://www.fenu-radio.ch/Redsun%20RP3000.jpg

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662. Tuning wheel fix?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-19 23:02:55 UTC
From: Claire Cruz
Topic: 662 Message: 662

Sept 19, 2006

Hello Thad,

Can you elaborate further the fix you did on your
DE1103? My radio (bought
Oct 2004 in Hong Kong) exhibits only an intermetent
jog problem (back
spinning of frequency). I opened it one time and blow
hard on the encoder
and it seems to have fixed the problem for a few
weeks. I have put the
radio in storage now along with many other receivers
but I'm interested in
finding out a permanent fix on this problem. Are they
using an optical
encoder similar to a mouse? If they are then that
explains my situation
since I live in a dusty country. So maybe a good blast
of compress air can
help.

By the way the new Alps brand encoder they're using
reportedly has different
pin configuration, Degen has to redesign the PCB of
the new batch to use
with this encoder.

Dennis, DV7-BKO
the Philippines

663. Re: Old group gone? & Thanks, Leon!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-20 03:45:07 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 568 Message: 663

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jeffkopp" <jeffkopp@...> wrote:
>
> The old group is http://groups.yahoo.com/group/kaito-de1103/
>
> It's become upleasant, I don't look there any more.
>

Thanks for the URL - the group is not listed in the Yahoo Groups directory and has been classified as Adult.

Nary a soul is looking there now - only one posting in each of July and August but, amazingly, nearly twice the membership of this group despite everything. Most must have switched off email messaging or were relieved when the onslaught let up.

Tom

664. Re: [de1103] Tuning wheel fix?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-20 05:37:56 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 662 Message: 664

----- Original Message -----
From: "Claire Cruz" <stclaire5000@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 20, 2006 12:02 AM
Subject: [de1103] Tuning wheel fix?

> Sept 19, 2006
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> encoder similar to a mouse? If they are then that
> explains my situation
> since I live in a dusty country. So maybe a good blast
> of compress air can
> help.

It's a mechanical encoder. They are more likely to be affected by dust, I'd
have thought.

Leon
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Leon Heller, G1HSM
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665. Re: [de1103] Tuning wheel fix?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-20 12:19:24 UTC
From: Thad Larson
Topic: 662 Message: 665

It should be a mechanical encoder. Dust, as well as loose particles inside, will cause the jog dial to act spuratically. As the contact goes from not-connected to connected, some of the contact plating will rub off. I can still see the effects of this on my jog dial when I rotate it quickly.

I didn't actually repair my encoder, per say, but the interesting thing was that the encoder appeared to be functioning electrically even though it was not registering at the processor. It wasn't until I re-soldered the shield that the processor began to respond to the jog dial (i.e. increment and decrement). The edge of the shield happens to sit above the regulators that pull the two inputs high. The encoder pulls the inputs to ground in a pattern as your rotate the dial. Maybe the shield was protecting from electrical noise ? Maybe the regulators were oscillating because of the shield capacitance ? Maybe my soldering iron pushed some magic smoke back into some component that needed it? :) I guess the point that I was trying to make was that a dead jog dial might not be the encoder.

If I get around to replacing the jog dial, I'll open up the old one and share some pics.

BTW: What would be different electrically between the current encoder and an Alps encoder ?

Thad

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666. DE 1103 sudden muting

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-23 13:31:18 UTC
From: iz2eju
Topic: 666 Message: 666

Hi ! My DE 1103 sometimes suddenly mutes, in SW; it works normally in VHF/FM. Sometimes it restart by its own, sometimes a reset is needed, sometimes waiting...
Can anyone help me ?
thanks from Rik IZ2EJU

667. Re: [de1103] DE 1103 sudden muting

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-23 16:01:09 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 666 Message: 667

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----- Original Message -----
From: "iz2eju" <iz2eju@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, September 23, 2006 2:31 PM
Subject: [de1103] DE 1103 sudden muting

> Hi ! My DE 1103 sometimes suddenly mutes, in SW; it works normally in
> VHF/FM. Sometimes it restart by its own, sometimes a reset is needed,
> sometimes waiting...
> Can anyone help me ?
> thanks from Rik IZ2EJU

What is the power source, batteries or mains adapter?

Leon
--
Leon Heller, G1HSM
Suzuki SV1000S motorcycle
leon.heller@...
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668. Re: DE 1103 sudden muting

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-23 16:58:51 UTC
From: iz2eju
Topic: 666 Message: 668

I was using batteries (the Degen 1300 mAh NiMH supplied with the radio). I would try a fix by myself, because sendig back the radio would cost as buying another one...
Thanks, Rik IZ2EJU

669. Re: DE 1103 sudden muting

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-23 23:14:06 UTC
From: bigal43065
Topic: 666 Message: 669

Rik and Gang,

Hi, new to this great group and I just got a Kaito KA1103. The radio has worked well for a few days, until today when it started doing this very thing. The radio would mute out in SW. I could get it going again by switching to FM most times, but sometimes I'd have to turn it off and back on again. It would receive a few minutes and back to mute out?? I am currently on charged batteries supplied with this radio. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Al Allen WB8ZAX

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> radio). I would try a fix by myself, because sendig back the radio
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> Thanks, Rik IZ2EJU
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670. Re: [de1103] Re: DE 1103 sudden muting

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-24 06:49:58 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 666 Message: 670

----- Original Message -----
From: "bigal43065" <aallen@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 24, 2006 12:14 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: DE 1103 sudden muting

> Rik and Gang,
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> Hi, new to this great group and I just got a Kaito KA1103. The radio
> has worked well for a few days, until today when it started doing this
> very thing. The radio would mute out in SW. I could get it going again
> by switching to FM most times, but sometimes I'd have to turn it off
> and back on again. It would receive a few minutes and back to mute
> out?? I am currently on charged batteries supplied with this radio.
> Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Try resetting it, it's a long shot but it might help. You might lose your memory settings and time.

Leon

671. purchase of 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-24 08:14:53 UTC
From: ken mccleary
Topic: 671 Message: 671

Hi to all from downunder, I'm off to Chicago next week and was wondering if anyone out there can recommend someone in that fair city? Thanks and regards, Ken

672. Re: [de1103] purchase of 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-24 15:54:28 UTC
From: JOHN GREUSEL
Topic: 671 Message: 672

Hi Ken,
I live in Chicago. What sort of referral are you looking for? We aren't the greatest place to shop for radios if that's what you're after. There are some shops that cater to recent immigrants and carry AC converters and portable shortwaves but frankly you'd do better shopping on the internet. I would recommend our museums though- Museum of Science and Industry (german submarine), The Field Museum, Adler Planetarium, Chicago Academy of Science, Shedd Aquarium and many more. You can email me offline if you have other questions.
greusel@....
John

ken mccleary <kdmc@...> wrote: Hi to all from downunder, I'm off to Chicago next week and was wondering
if anyone out there can recommend someone in that fair city? Thanks and
regards, Ken

673. Re: purchase of 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-24 16:57:09 UTC
From: Harry Taylor
Topic: 671 Message: 673

There are no dealers in Chicago, not Ham , not shortwave. Milwaukee is the closest with AES.
Harry
H9HDT

Do you Yahoo!?
Everyone is raving about the all-new Yahoo! Mail.

674. purchase 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-24 23:45:11 UTC
From: ken mccleary
Topic: 674 Message: 674

Thanks for the replies. I'm looking to buy a 1103 and thought there might be a store which stocked them, to try out first, given the problems some have had. I bought a 1105 from China and it seems to work ok, 'cept it's a bit deaf. FM is super sensitive, tho.
Any thoughts on how long analogue transmissions will go on for? Or that digital isn't making the impact they thought it would have? Thanks and regards, ken

675. RE: [de1103] purchase 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-25 03:32:18 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 674 Message: 675

If you live near Columbus Oh go to Universal...

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of ken mccleary
Sent: Sunday, September 24, 2006 7:45 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] purchase 1103

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676. Re: Trick Tune below 100KHZ Ifyou want to

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-09-28 17:28:23 UTC
From: horacio_nigro
Topic: 292 Message: 676

Hello from Uruguay, in South America...

I bought my 1103 in Barcelona, Spain a few weeks ago, and now, back in my country I have time to read and re-read some of the most relevant postings in this group.

Regarding the below 100kHz trick,I am asking now if its effect is reversible?... I mean, sometines you need the ferrite nulling to avoid interference from different geographically located transmitters on the MW.

BTW, the receiver is very nice... have had previous experience with a Hammarlund HQ180 boatanchor... my personal reference to real DX receivers, then a Sony 7600G, a Grundig YB 400 and recently a Kenwood R600 and this new Degen 1103.

I enjoyed nice reception of the Spanish MW from Barcelona, with Algeria, Macedonia, UK, Italia being heard. Some aero beacons on the long wave... little shortwave, but I noted the rx as the most sensitive one I have had on hands with just the telescopic antenna deployed. I have been warned that the telescopic antenna in the DEGEN is very delicate, and it's recommended not to play with it too much.

Back in my country, SW reception conditions are spoiled by heavy local QRN which blocks the tropical bands of 60 and 90 meters. I have a 25 meter wire, end fed, and had built a magnetic balun, but it proves to be too much for the sensitive Degen. I am just using the ground connection of the coax cable to get clear signals.

I am afraid of the FET problem not only for the static, but for the signal overload to the receiver's front-end.

FM reception is great with stations received around 100 kilometers away. I am in a tall area of the city.

After my bad experience with the Grundig, I learned that I should better disconnect the receiver from mains when I leave home for work, every day. And also pull out the battery charger/battery eliminator off mains. I remember the Grundig was damaged one day due to a transient voltage from the AC line. That was my bad experience with the YB 400.

Best regards from

Horacio Nigro
Uruguay

--- In de1103@..., "kitkatjt" <kitkatjt@...> wrote:
>
> You will be able to switch off ferrite bar ant. and use the wip or
> external.
>
> Put in 21951 khz press am +
> Press am fm together and start searching downward to below 100 khz
> Once you are below 100 stop the scan and store the freqency then
pull
> it back up from the memory bank and turn off the radio.When you turn
> the radio on start turning the dial.You will be on the wip.You can
> check your progress by placing your hand on the ant.I like to go
down
> towards the am stations.By using the wip or external you should be
able
> to hear many more stations.
>

677. Strange...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-05 16:01:36 UTC
From: horacio_nigro
Topic: 677 Message: 677

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678. Re: Strange...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-05 17:54:11 UTC
From: T Larson
Topic: 677 Message: 678

Horacio,
I didn't really understand the question until I read it again. I'll take a guess.

The 100k "Easter Egg" isn't a modification, it is really (I believe) a software bypass that allows you to go below the AM broadcast band. If you save a frequency into memory, you can always delete it later.

To the group,

I just uploaded a few pictures into a Jog Dial folder. I finally replaced my encoder and took apart the original one. I uploaded some pictures if anyone was interested in the internal of the jog dial encoder.

I'll give an update on my upgrade (Kiwa, resistor, and jog dial) results at a later time. Summary: I am very happy with my radio.

Thad

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679. Re: [de1103] Re: Strange...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-05 21:25:47 UTC
From: Horacio A. Nigro
Topic: 677 Message: 679

Thad,
Many thanks for the answer.

So I can guess that the ferrite disconnection that is subsequent to the 100k "Easter Egg", allowing a MW external aerial to be connected with the receiver, would work only from frequencies heard accessing from the memory saved in that way?

I have a confusion on this topic. Sorry..

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680. Re: [de1103] Re: Strange...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-05 22:04:18 UTC
From: Thad Larson
Topic: 677 Message: 680

I was refferring to :
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/message/292

I believe that you want to perform the following :
- Dis-connect the the ferrite bar antenna.
- Attach a beverage to the De1103
- Tune below 100k

Not that I could direct you if my assumption is correct, I am just trying to clarify so that those more knowledgeable might be able to answer. I did manage to remove the wires to the ferrite when I performed the Kiwa mods. Be advised that there are four connections from the ferrite to the board.

Go ahead and save 100k into memory. Try plugging in the long wire and listen for a difference. Since the Easter Egg is a software by-pass, the external antenna may still be connected.

Here is an interesting question :
If I start from 21951k and begin down. Then I stop at an AM station. Can I use an external antenna ? Is the radio still in ShortWave mode or did it switch to MediumWave mode ?

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681. Re: Strange...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-06 00:55:41 UTC
From: T Larson
Topic: 677 Message: 681

To answer my own question :
When you start from a stored memory (60k in my case) and search up in frequency, the external antenna in ENABLED, even in the WM frequencies.

However, the frequency in not on target. A local AM station 610 shows up at 640. But the difference between wire and no wire is very noticeable.

Thad

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Thad Larson <highwayman_33402@...> wrote:

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682. My new e-mail address

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-06 14:42:10 UTC
From: hanigrodx
Topic: 682 Message: 682

I notify you of my new E-mail address:

hanigrodx@...

Others are kept active, but this is the preferred from now on, as well as that all my yahoogroups subscriptions have been moved to this new address.

Many thanks. Best 73 @ DX

Horacio Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

683. RE: [de1103] Digest Number 172

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-06 14:39:10 UTC
From: Phil Pasteur
Topic: 683 Message: 683

Horacio,

I think what you want to know is whether you can use an external antenna for all frequencies after implementing the "Eater Egg" software tweak. The answer is YES !

Once you go to your saved memory location below 100 khz and search from there, you will be using the Telescoping antenna, or if you plug in an external antenna to the jack, you will be using that, for all frequencies that you tune. You are not limited to this mode for only frequencies that you have saved into memory! I have to verify this, but I think that you stay in this mode until you turn the radio off and then on again.

You could use your Beverage antenna plugged into the external antenna jack for any frequency that you tune after selecting your chosen frequency below 100k. In this mode the radio does not use the ferrite bar at all. In other words you stay in the SW mode at all times and for all frequencies tuned via the jog wheel.

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684. RE: [de1103] Digest Number 172

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-06 14:58:44 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 683 Message: 684

Phil..
And... if I want, I'm back using the ferrite if the frequency is not in the memory bank (including the one belonging to the "below 100KHz" mode), is that OK?.

I will try it.
Many thanks

Phil Pasteur <ppasteur@...> escribi?:
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685. Re: Digest Number 172

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-06 17:04:44 UTC
From: ppasteur
Topic: 683 Message: 685

I have to admit, I have not played with this tweak all that much. I know that once you go through the process to start the below 100k/SW mode as long as you are tuning from that freq. you stay in SW mode. All freqs tuned when starting from that memory location will be tuned using the telescoping antenna or the external antenna. If you restart the radio, it resumes normal operation (using the ferrite for MW). I am not sure what happens when you are in the "SW" mode (forced by starting at the below 100K memory location), and then select a different memory location. Go ahead and play with it and see what happens. You can always get out of the tweak "SW" mode by restarting the radio. You can always delete the below 100k memory entry. So that you can't hurt anything and it all is reversable. Have fun, and let us know what you come up with.

Phil P.

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686. Jog Dial photo

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-07 00:21:10 UTC
From: Dennis Ls M Cruz
Topic: 686 Message: 686

Nice macro shot of the jog dial Thad !

Looks dirty to me 8-) Maybe that's why it won't work well as they must have put too much grease (?) on it.

Dennis DV7-BKO
the Philippines

687. Re: WxFax help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-07 16:44:51 UTC
From: kurterich_finger
Topic: 624 Message: 687

Hello Keith,

I am sitting beside by DE1103. On the PC screen a weather fax from
Northwood UK is showing line by line. Yes, I am from Europe (Germany)
I have no problem receiving weather faxes from Northwood and Hamburg
(Germany).
As a software I am using JVcomm32. I would recoomend you to download
the demo version and give it a try.
THe only tricky thing is the slant correction. However, you can use a
time signal to adjust this. I think the help is only in German, but
you should manage to get through.
I think you have the list of all fax stations (Worldwide marine
radiofacsimile broadcast schedules form the NOAA?)
Give it a try. If you encounter problems I should be able to help you.

best regards

Kurt-Erich

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "kwing175" <kwing175@...> wrote:
>
> Can anyone give me the ins and outs of Wxfax with a KA1103.
>
> I bought the KA 1103 hoping to recieve Wxfax signals and decode on my
> laptop while sailing. No luck receiving the signal here in Houston,TX.
>
> 1. Is this the correct radio? Will it recieve WXfax signals?
>
> 2. Are there special antenna considerations?
>
> I was sailing in Norway this summer and a friend had a little SSB
> reciever made by NASA Marine (sold by SITEX in the US). The laptop was
> running "Weather Fax 2000" the results were superb.
>
> Any help appreciated.
> Keith
>

688. Re: DE 1103 sudden muting

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-09 03:14:23 UTC
From: bigal43065
Topic: 666 Message: 688

Gang,

In reply to my own question concerning the sudden muting of my Kaito KA 1103 sudden muting. In troubleshooting this unit I found one cell of the supplied 4 double a rechargable batteries was not charging fully and in turn would hold a charge only for about a hour. When the cell went low it caused the radio to begin shutting down(muting). I replaced the supplied batteries with a new set of 4 and have not had the problem since. Hope this info can help others.. 73

Al Allen WB8ZAX

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689. Re: DE 1103 sudden muting

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-09 13:45:11 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 666 Message: 689

I got a Maha Powerex battery charger for slow charging the Degen green batteries received with my DE1103 radio.

http://www.thomasdistributing.com/mhc401fs.htm

It monitors each battery separately during the charge. I noticed the first few times I used it, that one battery took much longer to charge than the other three. After a few cycles though, the charge time evened out. I suspect that using a dumb battery charger before getting the Powerex model, may have constantly under charged one battery while maybe over charging another to some degree. My DE1103 is still hard on batteries, but I do get longer play time from by batteries now.

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690. Re: [de1103] Re: DE 1103 sudden muting

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-09 14:24:38 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 666 Message: 690

----- Original Message -----
From: "Nash" <nash2042004@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, October 09, 2006 2:45 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: DE 1103 sudden muting

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I check the voltage of each battery occasionally, they should be about the
same value and a faulty one is easily detected.

Leon
--
Leon Heller, G1HSM
Suzuki SV1000S motorcycle
leon.heller@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller

691. Re: [de1103] Re: DE 1103 sudden muting

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-09 21:28:18 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn)
Topic: 666 Message: 691

I also recommend a separate battery charger. Mine has
a light that stays on until it is charged. After that before
I would put them in the radio I would check battery voltage
using a voltage multimeter. By doing that you can tell which ones
charged at 1.40 to 1.5 Good. You will see which ones hold out well..
Those that stay down near 1.25 or 1.35 volts without load on the multitest
meter is suspect. rechargeables NImh are 1.25 but on the multi test meter
1.40 to 1.50 without load is good anything lower of that range after charge
is close to possible weakness under load.

Regular batteries are 1.5 volts usually 1.5 to 1.6v without
load..You can make the judgement after you have done
some recharging of Nimh or NiCad batteries.

Paul
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692. Re: New Kaito 1103 owner

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-10 23:03:49 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 152 Message: 692

Lets make this clear to everyone. The newer version has made the improvements to the De1103 Kaito 1103. So it you bought your unit some 12 or 18 months ago you have the old unit. Anyone buying the Degen 1103 from Tao Quo he Qa's them all before sending the units.

Tao Quo email and can be found on ebay selling the Degen 1103.
I will let everyone know my postings of stations. The latest version has addressed most of the problems with the Degen 1103 radio.

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Best Regards,
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Paul

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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@> wrote:
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> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: "dxgnome" <dxgnome@>
> > To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> > Sent: Friday, March 10, 2006 9:44 PM
> > Subject: [de1103] Re: New Kaito 1103 owner
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> >

> > >I agree. After doing some more research on the web, I found
> several
> > > posts of users who have return their radio's for replacements
> only to
> > > have the same problem. So for the time being, I'm holding on
to
> this
> > > one for awhile and have decided not to return it to Kaito USA
for
> > > replacement. Will use it for a couple of weeks - I'm learning
to
> live
> > > with it. I just miss the better audio quality from the KA1102.
> > >
> > > But your right, it does have better sensitivity and does a
better
> job
> > > picking up the SW bands over the 1102 (which is a good
performer
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> > > it's own right) - definitely a keeper for what it can do.
> >
> > Mine (bought from Hong Kong supplier) sounds fine.
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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-11 02:03:04 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 152 Message: 694

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-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
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Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2006 7:19 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-11 02:14:22 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 152 Message: 695

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-11 02:23:35 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn)
Topic: 152 Message: 696

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He has responded to my emails and just received
confirmation of my package! I cant sleep over this
radio..I have to wait until Wednesday to pick it up
at the post office.

By the way I received an email from him and he
has told me and in the past that the Degen 1103
radios have the latest upgrades and codes for
the radio. The issues that were being discussed
have been resolved to an extent to create a radio
that has minimized the problems of the older version.

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697. Re: New Kaito 1103 owner

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-11 02:29:33 UTC
From: agoodwin50
Topic: 152 Message: 697

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul \(Skywarn\)" <wxwatch@...> wrote:
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What name does he go by on E-bay and how does he list the radios - DE 1103 or Kaito or what? Are they shipped from Hong Kong?
I bought mine about a year ago and it is still going strong although I guess it may have some of the quirks others have noted. Is it worth it to get the lates model?

Thanks!

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-11 02:45:57 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 152 Message: 698

<http://stores.ebay.com/RADIO-AND-COMPONENT_W0QQssPageNameZstrkQ3amefsQ3amesstQQtZkm>
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-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of agoodwin50
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2006 10:30 PM
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699. Re: PK MW Loop Antenna cross post

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-11 03:10:09 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 330 Message: 699

I use the terk on the high performance am/fm radio from radio shack 12-903. It works very well on Am especially low power weak stations.!

Paul

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nash" <nash2042004@...> wrote:
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> Has anyone tried out the PK MW loop antenna with a Tecsun or Degen
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700. DE31 antenna: Phantom power?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-11 19:55:04 UTC
From: h41it
Topic: 700 Message: 700

Hi all,
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Gianluca

701. Re: DE31 antenna: Phantom power?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-12 03:29:38 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 700 Message: 701

In theory can be done like any other remote powered active antenna. However such modifications/rebuildings are quite labor intensive and no guarantee it will work as expected in the first place. Also please consider the followings:
1. Need to find sufficient rooms to put extra componets inside the tiny DE31 control unit as well as inside the DE1103.
2. Even if it can be done, such conversion may noticablly degrade the performance of the DE31.--- mutual interaction/coupling between extra components.

Will suggest install an external piggy back "Big"battery pack(2 D cells ?) to feed the DE31 rather than depending on the originally 2 tiny AAA batteries. ---- Such "made-do" resolution had long been used by TV professonals to operate their power hungry TV cameras.

Hope it helps.

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702. Re: PK MW Loop Antenna cross post

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-13 00:12:05 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 330 Message: 702

I have since purchased a PK AM loop antenna and I'm pleased with the performance. The construction is pretty robust, so it can withstand a fair bit of abuse, making it ideal for portable use.

I have a couple of favorite US AM stations (I live in Canada), and using this antenna makes them much clearer. The PK loop isn't a high end antenna by any means, but it does increase reception enough to make really weak stations listenable. It's cheap on batteries because it doesn't use any, and there are no wires. I keep mine parked beside my Tecsun BCL3000 on the kitchen table. :)

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703. Amazing Signal Report Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-13 03:37:17 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 703 Message: 703

Hey gang,

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Date: 2006-10-13 03:35:46 UTC
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705. Signal Rreport Degen 1103 radio..

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-13 03:50:36 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn)
Topic: 705 Message: 705

Signal report..

10/12/2006 at 2305 WFAN 660 WNBC NY, am radio. Worked off the telescopic antenna ..100khz programming mod...Signal almost full scale. I live in Palm Beach Gardens Florida! Outside my balcony patio. What a radio report! Love this Dengen. Am works great! Listening to the radio station from NY brings back memories when I use to listen to the Yankee games..I miss the Yankee games on the radio NY Stations.

So I listen to a radio station over 1000 miles away wow!!I never had good enough pull in from these stations..before...also I heard 770 WABC a little bit weaker in the backgorund to some Fidel Castro intefering stations as well as WCBS 880 am radio tonite..signal S3 about 1/3 to 1/2 scale..weak but intelligible.

Loran works fabulous with telescopic..picked up loan stations I never picked up before even with DX390 radio..this is the best radio so far.. thanks for the 100khz program mod!..works better than the internal ferrite antenna!

Happy Monitoring

Paul

706. High Impedance antenna for outside connection.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-13 23:55:10 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn)
Topic: 706 Message: 706

Has anyone tried to install a vertical telescopic antenna outside for the degen and also use a certain rf shielded coax so you can get the maximum signal?

When I take my degen 1103 outside once I have performed the below 100khz program mod. The antenna on it works great and loran. Is there a way to connect to ant jack to a high impedance antenna. I believe an outside active antenna is what I need. Maybe, high impedance signal probe antenna

Any input to this topic?

Paul

707. Alkaline batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-14 07:33:33 UTC
From: iz2eju
Topic: 707 Message: 707

Hello to all !
What about using alkaline batteries in my DE 1103 ? Yes, voltage could be slightly higher (6V vs. 4,8V) but it should be the same when using the AC adapter.
Any advice ? Thanks and 73 from Rik IZ2EJU

708. Re: Alkaline batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-14 08:24:13 UTC
From: h41it
Topic: 707 Message: 708

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No problems, I think...
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709. Re: [de1103] Alkaline batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-14 10:25:11 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 707 Message: 709

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From: "iz2eju" <iz2eju@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, October 14, 2006 8:33 AM
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No problems, either may be used according to the manual. It's probably not a good idea to connect the charger with them inside, though.

Leon

710. DE31 Loop Antenna mod

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-14 13:15:55 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn)
Topic: 710 Message: 710

Hello,

If anyone is interested in making the loop more tunable
in for only the lower bands 3-8.000 MHz. Just take the
4 screws off remove the loop wire antenna amplifier
(The part the wire loop goes into triangular shape.

There are 2 connections soldered one side of the wire
loop and the other. Just replace it with a longer wire
22 gauge small wire. I rigged my loop wire in a delta
shape and strung it outside my apt balcony. You
need to experiment the length of entire total delta loop
is 20-25 ft..The DE31 will tune best below 9 MHz to
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When you get back to the original length it will perform
the same as originally although a 22 gauge wire
will work better than the original..the telescopic antenna
and wire with it keep it in case you want to put it back
and solder original wire. You can easily take the original wire
of the loop and take it off the holes of the telescopic
antenna and replace it with a 22 gauge wire nice enough for
portable use. When done just wind it up..

You need to experiment. My interest is the low bands from
3 to 8 MHz..it will tune upwards you will hear increase
noise but not that peak tune up as with 3-8 MHz band.

Good luck.
Paul

Works great especially

711. Re: [de1103] DE31 Loop Antenna mod

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-14 14:05:27 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn)
Topic: 710 Message: 711

In addition...the signal comes in even better on the lower
bands and you still get gain higher up with full turn of the
tuner knob above 8mhz..but without the noteable peak
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the same as originally although a 22 gauge wire
will work better than the original..the telescopic antenna
and wire with it keep it in case you want to put it back
and solder original wire. You can easily take the original wire
of the loop and take it off the holes of the telescopic
antenna and replace it with a 22 gauge wire nice enough for
portable use. When done just wind it up..

You need to experiment. My interest is the low bands from
3 to 8 MHz..it will tune upwards you will hear increase
noise but not that peak tune up as with 3-8 MHz band.

Good luck.
Paul

Works great especially

712. Re: antenna for degen

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-15 11:31:59 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn)
Topic: 712 Message: 712

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul (Skywarn)" <wxwatch@...>
To: "Krysatec@..." <krysatec@...>
Sent: Sunday, October 15, 2006 7:29 AM
Subject: Re: antenna for degen

> Thank you very much for your reponse. Also.
> you can tap the each side of the loop and use the
> de31 amplifier. You must remove the loop wire from
> the amplifier. There are 4 tine phillip screws. remove t
> hem then desolder the loop wire from each side of the
> loop connect loop wire from loop instead and let me
> know what happens...tuning for SWL listening. Better
> tuning for low band SWL tuning 2 mhz to 7 mhz.
>
> 2nd experiment
> Or wind up some wire remove grey flex wire and use
> insulated thin 20-22 gauge wire wrap it thru the eye of
> each side of telescope antenna. Wind up as much as
> you can fit..then solder each wire. You can use a
> variable capacitor on loop 10-360pf before amp.
>
> Now you have a higher performance loop turn dx to
> local if necessary.
>
> Probably preferred than using a big loop. Yours I will try.
> I also have a terk am loop.. works great.
>
> Always room for experimentation.
>
> Regards.
> Paul
>
> N4UUQ
> Ham Operator
>
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Krysatec" <krysatec@...>
> To: <wxwatch@...>
> Sent: Sunday, October 15, 2006 6:15 AM
> Subject: antenna for degen
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>
> Ahoj!
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> Hi!
>
> ad:
> Has anyone tried to install a vertical telescopic antenna
> outside for the degen and also use a certain rf shielded
> coax so you can get the maximum signal
>
>
> I think here is problem because I think that Degen has Hi-Z input.
>
> my idea: you can test (not in city!) mini-whip antenna or something
> alike with coax cable and transformer or balun 1:9 for Hi-Z input of
> receiver. (coax impedance (1) to input impedance (9))
>
>
> better idea, but not simply:
>
> use frame antenna or feritte antenna and connect it direct to input.
> (you need not coupler winding)
>
> I tested it with feritte antenna and capacitor for 77kHz (time station
> in Europe) and it work good, but you need verybig variable capacitor
> (2000pF) or use switch and more capacitors and for tuning use variable
> inductance by shift of winding...
>
> Signal from frame antenna is higher than from miniwhip or other small
> antennas and antenna work also as preselector!
>
> You can switch also more section of winding for tuning: see my frame
> antenna for degen for LW and MW IN ATTACHEMENT.
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> --
> S pozdravem,
> Best regards,
> Jara "Krysatec" ("Rat")
>
> sorry I speak english a little - I learnt it 20y ago...
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> krysatec@...
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> Tato zpr?va je odesl?na programem "The Bat! v. 2.11"
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713. DE 31 loop antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-16 11:50:01 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 713 Message: 713

Hi all,

where I can see schematics of this antenna??

Thanks! Jara Rat

714. DE 31 loop antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-16 11:50:58 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 713 Message: 714

Hi all,

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Thanks! Jara Rat

715. De31 loop mod...replacing original loop with a delta loop.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-16 23:58:18 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn)
Topic: 715 Message: 715

I just used 8 foot for each section of delta loop.
there are 3 sections. I just completed mine and have
had good results! 80 meters tuning in good and booming!
it tunes down to almost 2 mhz and up thru 7.0 mhz.
ANything higher when you tune it you did hear increase in
signal but without the peak and dip effect. I am quite satisfied
since I was interested in the bands between 2 and 7 mhz most
interested mostly in 80 meters..3.5 to 4.0 mhz..

Experiment with the lengths. You have to monitor
to see signal performance. I used radio shack
grey shielded speaker wire. 16-22 gauge wire
is fine..same gauge as original loop.

Paul

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul (Skywarn)" <wxwatch@...>
To: "Krysatec@..." <krysatec@...>
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2006 7:06 PM
Subject: Re: aquestion

> As far as schematics of the antenna what you can do is
> shape it as a triangle equal length. You do not need
> a real long length 4 ft or 8 ft each length. Remember
> that the DE31 uses an amp so you dont want too much
> gain just to be longer in length than original to be able
> to tune better especially to lower band. The each end
> of any loop antenna would be soldered in place of the
> original one that goes into the DE31 amp.
>
> Here is a good link to loop antennas. These lengths
> are too long since you use an amp you can dramatically
> cut down try total length of at least 25 ft or about 8 ft
> each side which is what I am doing next.
>
> It doesnt have to be delta shape but since I use the
> over hang of the balcony with the top of the delta
> antenna that is why I used it.
>
> http://radioworks.com/nloop.html
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> Remember all you are doing is replace the
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> From: "Krysatec" <krysatec@...>
> To: "Paul (Skywarn)" <wxwatch@...>
> Sent: Monday, October 16, 2006 7:53 AM
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716. Re: De31 loop mod...replacing original loop with a delta loop.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-17 00:05:35 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn)
Topic: 715 Message: 716

Delta loop is a traingular loop look at the picture diagram. on this link.

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bottom of the traingular loop antenna is off course where your amplifier of
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Cc: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2006 7:58 PM
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717. Re: [de1103] Re: De31 loop mod...replacing original loop with a delta loop.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-17 23:59:26 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn)
Topic: 715 Message: 717
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Subject: [de1103] Re: De31 loop mod...replacing original loop with a delta loop.

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the de31 attached file is triagular loop you will not transmit off it so dont worry
about using heavy duty wire..just use the thin stuff. The feet distance is way too big for the amp in the diagram use much shorter lengths like 8 feet each section. Try longer lengths and see what happens.. But for an apartment balcony 8 ft each section was all I could do. On thing I noticed is that the 8 foot per section of the triangle antenna it tunes well in the 2 to 7 mhz band and even has some potential for lower tuning. It is possible longer length each section could bring some tuning down to the 160 meter band and upper am band

DE31 amplifier where loop connects on each side that is where you desolder the connnections on other side of the board here and use same thin gauge wire..
like what i used was a 24 feet of grey insulated speaker wire..16-22 gauge..

Paul
>

718. Signal report at 160 meters

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-18 02:18:06 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn)
Topic: 718 Message: 718
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

To all you Degen 1103 owners and the DE31
amp loop antenna owners.

After modifying the loop antenna to a triangle shape
and also attaching a random wire tapped on one
side of that loop. I am copying 180 meters.

1.843 MHz I'm listening to activity. SO I think
if you use longer lengths each side for triangle
antenna it does seem that the amp DE31
will tune lower down in the upper am band
more like 160 meter ham band.

So use longer than 8 feet each. The longer the
better..also nice cleaner signal. The intent here
is that the loop amp with original loop amplifies
more noise than signal. The larger the loop the
cleaner the signal..actually you are really amplifying
more of a better signal at the start than a more
noisier signal.

Take each side of the loop wire desolder from amplifier
which has 4 tiny Phillip screws. Need a jewelers screwdriver
set for that. In any case here are my 2 JPEG files..

Good Luck and let me know.. You may find it to switch to
local from DX mode. Reduce signal overload.

Paul

719. Re: Signal report at 160 meters

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-18 13:07:12 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 718 Message: 719

Please advise how to download your attachment. Am confused by the instruction(e.g. Type Image.jpg ....) of this msg. Thanks.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul \(Skywarn\)" <wxwatch@...> wrote:
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720. Re: Alkaline batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-21 14:27:25 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 707 Message: 720

I don't know if other users have noticed this or not -- when I used regular 1.5V alkaline batteries in my DE1103 or DE1107, the LCD display got darker and extra grey pixels became apparent. I noticed this when I used alkaline batteries while my NiMH batteries were in an external charger. When I put the NiMH batteries back in, the display returned to normal. I would venture a guess that these radios' power requirements are tuned to favor the lower voltage setting.

I had to return my DE1107 radio for warranty replacement because the LCD clock display quit working altogether. I wonder if the higher voltage from the alkaline batteries may have hastened the LCD failure. I have since purchased a few extra sets of NiMH batteries so I won't need to use the 1.5V batteries.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "iz2eju" <iz2eju@...> wrote:
>
> Hello to all !
> What about using alkaline batteries in my DE 1103 ? Yes, voltage could
> be slightly higher (6V vs. 4,8V) but it should be the same when using
> the AC adapter.
> Any advice ? Thanks and 73 from Rik IZ2EJU
>

721. RE: [de1103] DE 31 loop antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-16 17:10:33 UTC
From: Kenneth Lee
Topic: 713 Message: 721

I googled up this link:
http://www.drmrx.org/forum/archive/index.php/t-1210.html

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Jara
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2006 7:51 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] DE 31 loop antenna

Hi all,

where I can see schematics of this antenna??

Thanks! Jara Rat

722. Re: Alkaline batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-22 14:02:39 UTC
From: mushlee
Topic: 707 Message: 722

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nash" <nash2042004@...> wrote:
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> LCD clock display quit working altogether. I wonder if the higher
> voltage from the alkaline batteries may have hastened the LCD failure.
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> need to use the 1.5V batteries.
>
I'm using alkalines for my 1107 and haven't noticed any problems. I
just bought a battery charger and recharged the batteries I got with
my old 1103 that I was using in the 1107 that didn't appear to hold a
charge for very long, using the charger in the 1107. One of the
batteries fully charged almost immediately, two took about an hour,
and the other about an hour and a half. I'm using the MH-C401FS
charger from Thomas Distributors. By the way, has Kaito changed its
address? I sent my warranty cards in several weeks ago and just got
them returned with the address unkown thing stuck to the face.

723. Re: Alkaline batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-22 14:51:34 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 707 Message: 723

Walter Zhao
Kaito Electronics,Inc.
www.kaitousa.com
Tel:909 595 8668
Fax:909 598 9669
Cell: 909 319 9178

Please contact us: Toll Free 1-866 KAITO76 ,

Email: info@...

Maybe you can scan them to PDF and email them in to the address above.

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724. Re: Alkaline batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-22 15:00:01 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 707 Message: 724

Kaito Electronics, Inc.
341 Paseo Sonrisa
Walnut CA 91789

Email: info@kaitousa.com

info at kaitousa dot com

The president of the company is Walter Zhao

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nash" <nash2042004@...> wrote:
>
> Walter Zhao
> Kaito Electronics,Inc.
> www.kaitousa.com
> Tel:909 595 8668
> Fax:909 598 9669
> Cell: 909 319 9178
>
>
> Please contact us: Toll Free 1-866 KAITO76 ,
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> Maybe you can scan them to PDF and email them in to the address above.
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725. Re: De31 loop mod...replacing original loop with a delta loop.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-22 15:35:15 UTC
From: kurterich_finger
Topic: 715 Message: 725

Just for your info:
In Germany an active loop antenna named DE31A is sold.
It covers the range from 1.8-4.5MHz and from 3,6-22 MHz.
Look at http://www.thiecom.de/shop1/index.html
and search for "DE31A". The price, however, is unaccaptable.
I was wondering, wheter the original DE31 is modified by the seller or
whether this is new model. I searched for DE31A, however, I only found
thiecom.
Would be nice if it could be bought directly in China.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul \(Skywarn\)" <wxwatch@...> wrote:
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726. Just put my Kaito KA1101 up on ebay for $34.95

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-29 16:29:17 UTC
From: mr__simon
Topic: 726 Message: 726

Pardon the message if this isn't of interest. I just put my Kaito
KA1101 up for sale on ebay for $34.95. Nice radio, I just have too many.
http://my.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?MyeBay&CurrentPage=MyeBaySelling&ssPageName=STRK:ME:LN
LK

727. Kaito 1103 and Sony 7600GR

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-29 01:54:26 UTC
From: epsilon2675
Topic: 727 Message: 727

Hi
Just joined the group as I will be receiving a new 1103 at the end of the week. I've been using my Sony 7600GR for about a yrear now and really enjoy it. I saw so many reviews about the 1103 and its newer and more expensive cousin the Eton5 and decised to pick up the Kaito for $80. Does anyone here own both radios? Can you tell me where I might be seeing and hearing the 1103 shine over the 7600? And- can I use the Sony Alp-1 Active Antenna with the 1103?
Thanks,
Tom

728. Re: [de1103] Kaito 1103 and Sony 7600GR

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-29 19:10:02 UTC
From: MWBRYANT@aol.com
Topic: 727 Message: 728

I've got the both the 7600G and the 1103. Here's my answers to your questions:

-The Sony is a better radio, especially in conjunction with the AN-LP1. Slightly more sensisitive and definitely a little more selective with the use of sync. Ergonomics also go to the 7600G for ease of volume adjustment, USB/LSB resolution and memories.
-Having said that, the 1103 is a very impressive little radio. Off just the whip it slaughters the 7600G on sensitivity. Carried to a suitable location with low RFI, it is downright unbelievable. It also has a very low noise floor, compared to high background noise with my 7600G.
-My 1103 has worked fine with the Sony ANLP1. The cheap DE-31 loop may even work better. 15 feet of external wire out the window is fine. Like I also said, it shines off the whip.
-If you can pick it up cheaply, you may also be impressed by the Eton E10. No SSB, but very sensitive and works great with either the ANLP1 or the DE31.

Enjoy,

Mike

n a message dated 10/29/2006 11:38:29 AM Eastern Standard Time, epsilon2675@... writes:

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729. Re: [de1103] Kaito 1103 and Sony 7600GR

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-29 17:19:24 UTC
From: Ari Kosonen
Topic: 727 Message: 729

epsilon2675 kirjoitti 29.10.2006 kello 03:54:
> Does anyone here own both radios? Can you tell me where I
> might be seeing and hearing the 1103 shine over the 7600?

Hi,

I have both DE1103 and Sony 7600G (i.e. not GR, but the
older version). I think the performance of these radios
is very close to each other. DE1103 may be slightly more
sensitive on SW bands, despite the fact that Sony 7600G
already is very sensitive. I also like the possibility to
switch between the narrower/wider filters on 1103.
While listening SSB signals, I've found tuning method
of 1103 somewhat awkward, but when you've find the right spot the SSB signal is very clear
in both radios. Sony has the AM Sync feature, which may be helpful in certain conditions.

The usability of Sony 7600G is much better, but when you
get used to the much discussed oddities of 1103's user
interface, I think you can live with it.

After all I have been very happy with both radios and really
surprised of 1103's performance considering the price, ~60 EUR versus over 150 EUR for
Sony.

BR, Ari K (OH7KA, Finland)

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Luukku Plus paketilla pääset eroon tila- ja turvallisuusongelmista.
Hanki Luukku Plus ja helpotat elämääsi. http://www.mtv3.fi/luukku

730. Re: Kaito 1103 and Sony 7600GR

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-10-30 04:40:24 UTC
From: epsilon2675
Topic: 727 Message: 730

Thanks very much for the info. I really look forward to getting the 1103 now. I 'm especially pleased to hear that it works so well off the whip, as there will be times I will not be able to use an antenna at all.
Tom

731. I am leaving this group.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-03 12:07:26 UTC
From: Fabrizio
Topic: 731 Message: 731

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Fabrizio - Rome

732. Re: [de1103] I am leaving this group.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-03 22:30:31 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn)
Topic: 731 Message: 732

Hey Fabrizio,

Sounds like you got tired of the radio.. Why use it for 10 months then get rid of it. My Degen 1103 works fine, I think the comments to how one radio works to another is left to the owner to interpretartion. One can not speak for us all. Sometimes we get use to our ways and features we like to use. As far as I am concerned my Degen 1103 works well.. My only suggestion is get a preselector with an attenuator on the antenna tuner.. like the FRT-7700 ATU or similar feature. In any case I found that my degen 1103 has out peformed the Dx398 by a long shot.

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Paul.

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From: Fabrizio
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, November 03, 2006 7:07 AM
Subject: [de1103] I am leaving this group.

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Fabrizio - Rome

733. Re: I am leaving this group.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-04 01:25:02 UTC
From: epsilon2675
Topic: 731 Message: 733

Hi Guys,

Well. I just got my Degen and I have to say after an hour of use that I am very impressed and very happy with it. I noticed right away its little quirky volume method- I really like that. What makes me laugh is all the reviews I read that made such a big deal out of this as though it were some major inconvenience. I nearly bought the Eton 5 for nearly twice the price to avoid this. Glad my sense of thriftiness ruled this time around. Great radio! I'll probably use this for awhile- go back to the 7600GR- and then comeback to this again. The beauty of diversity.

Tom

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul \(Skywarn\)" <wxwatch@...> wrote:
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> Hey Fabrizio,
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734. Anyone Seen the Grundig g5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-05 16:08:31 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 734 Message: 734

Well, I know I'm a glutton for gadgets, but am curious to see what others observations are of this radio. From what I've read on the 'net so far, it seems like Degen/Kaito are the makers of this unit and It's supposedly a KA1106. Like our 1103, it has a tuning knob, and is about the same size as our 1103 as well. I have read reviews of the eton e5, which this is a close relative, and they're saying the 1103 is more sensitive. What I was liking about it was the telephone keypad layout, the black matte finish, and because there's no analog dial, the frequency readout is much bigger. plus it has a whopping 700 memories over the 1103's 256. I'd really be curious to how well it stacks up to the 1102, since I was considering one of those a while back, but never did take action on. It's not as good as value though that's for sure at $149, and that doesn't include rechargeable batteries. If you google for grundig g5, there isn't much online yet, but there is on the e5 over at eham.net.

Opinions?? TIA.

Egun On, Lagunak! (Basque for G'day, Mates
Pete Nalda

735. Re: Anyone Seen the Grundig g5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-05 17:32:29 UTC
From: texnote
Topic: 734 Message: 735

The Grundig G5 and the Eton E5 are identical in all respects except color.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Pete Nalda <lpnalda@...> wrote:
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> others observations are of this radio. From what I've read on the
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736. Re: I am leaving this group.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-06 09:05:45 UTC
From: Fabrizio
Topic: 731 Message: 736

Hi Paul, thanks for replying to my message. I'll try to explain my views a little more in detail now.

> Sounds like you got tired of the radio.. Why use it for 10 months then get rid of it.

Well, the only reason why I decided not to use the Degen anymore is merely that I am enjoying the Sangean more. The reception is more pleasant, at least for the kind of listening that I'm after, that is, listening outdoor to SSB ham bands from 7 Mhz up to 28 Mhz, using a wire antenna. One of things that I disliked with the Degen was poor image rejection, especially when listening to 14 Mhz ham band and having images from 900 Khz higher. The Sangean is not affectd by these images and its AGC reacts very well to prevent front-end saturation.

Maybe for other uses, like perhaps listening to BC stations in the low-medium range of SW with the rod antenna, the Degen could turn out to be a better receiver. As for the 10 months time, I don't like to change too often radioes, or other stuff in general. Once I'm happy with something, I will stick with it for years.

> My Degen 1103 works fine, I think the comments to how one radio works to another
> is left to the owner to interpretartion. One can not speak for us all. Sometimes we
> get use to our ways and features we like to use.

Sure! Everyone has his own opinion. I'm NOT telling everyone that the Degen is a bad and useless receiver and they must change their radioes just because I did.
But if it wasn't for reading other people's opinions, I would have never known anything about both the Degen and the Sangean, and this time I want to 'return the favour' by telling other people my own opinion.

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> on the antenna tuner.. like the FRT-7700 ATU or similar feature. In any case
> I found that my degen 1103 has out peformed the Dx398 by a long shot.

The preselector/attenuator/tuner is a good idea, but I use these portable radios outdoor, standing up and holding them in my hands and a preselector would be fine if you use the Degen as a home receiver

on a table. And a preselector would not solve the audio quality issues. I found that the Degen SSB doesn't sound as crisp or clean as the Sangean's. SSB on the Degen has audio distortion from 20 Mhz up and it gets worse as the frequency is higher.

I heard that the Dx398 is a Sangean clone. Do they work the same? I too read some not so good reviews of the Sangean. Maybe it has been improved during the years... Even the Degen has been produced with improvements and modifications since 2004.

> It is a big difference when you use late 90's technology and circuitry as opposed
> to more newer SMD type circuits with high Q coil circuits in the latest ciruits
> for the shortwave and broadcast band. That is what is in the Degen 1103
> schematics...that is why for such a small radio the SSB works well and is
> stable. I receive wefax and no drift whatsoever.

The Sangean's SSB is stable too. I cannot comment on circuitry and I believe that what you say is true in general, but the fact is that the Sangean works better for me.

Fabrizio

737. Re: [de1103] Re: I am leaving this group.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-06 16:05:03 UTC
From: Igor Danilevych
Topic: 731 Message: 737

Hi Fabrizio!
Monday, November 6, 2006 11:05:45 +0200, You wrote:

F> issues. I found that the Degen SSB doesn't sound as crisp or clean as
F> the Sangean's. SSB on the Degen has audio distortion from 20 Mhz up
F> and it gets worse as the frequency is higher.
I do not hear perceptible distortions on my Degen DE 1103 higher 20
Mhz in SSB mode.

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Igor

738. Re: I am leaving this group.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-06 17:03:41 UTC
From: Fabrizio
Topic: 731 Message: 738

Thanks Igor! I find that sound is more distorted on 28 and 24 Mhz,
(well, there is not much activity there on these low sun spots days)
while on 21 Mhz the distortion is not so strong.

It seems, once again, that not all DE1103 behave in the same way.
Thanks

Fab

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> I do not hear perceptible distortions on my Degen DE 1103 higher 20
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739. Re: I am leaving this group.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-07 15:01:58 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 731 Message: 739

Did u tried to identify if it is the radio rather than other factors (i.e. propagations problems/transmitter stability/time of the day/weather ...)of the signals ? The 24 -28Mhz bands can behave quite different than other lower freq. bands. In some extreme cases, an airplane passing through their propagation paths can change the signals "finger prints" noticeably --- A way to reveal stealth fighters' presents?

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740. Re: I am leaving this group.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-07 16:24:37 UTC
From: Fabrizio
Topic: 731 Message: 740

Well, I am sure it depends on the radio. I have experienced this problem long enough.. I even heard the same stations on different frequencies and they were distorted only in the high bands.
It's just audio distortion. Yes, it's strange that it depends on the frequency being tuned. The lower bands (below 20 Mhz) have much less distortion. The problem is only in SSB mode...

Fab

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741. Re: I am leaving this group.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-07 21:58:43 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 731 Message: 741

Sure the DE1103 can be bad to begin with, yet wonder if it happened only in the SSB mode. The SSB is always operated on the fixed IF freq. and so does the audio output from the same detector. In short if the SSB mode is bad the problem(s) will exist in all other bands and not limitted to these "High" bands. More over cannot rule out if those mysterious stations were not SSB station at all.(e.g. distorted stray signals from powerful AM stations) Again even it was the same broadcaster, different transmitters, propagation conditions, transmission locations (including different oversea relay transmitting sites)... could affect the reception quality completely different. Did u tried other radio(s) and note the difference?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Fabrizio" <fabriz23@...> wrote:
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742. Randomwire antenna impedance matching: my own experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-07 22:30:54 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 731 Message: 742

First of all I want to say that I am very happy with my Degen 1103. Had some problems after first period of using it, with the antenna matching and overloading.

I have a 25 meter randomwire, which is too much to this one and my other receiver, a Kenwood R600 (right now under service due to PLL disengagement).

So, when the Kenwood arrived to my hands, I have the need to use a coax cable down to the receiver to overcome the RFI problems (TV, Computers, cable TV, local TV sets, neighbour's electrical generated noise, fluorescent gas filled lamps.... uff..). Improved the height of the wire, to about 6 meter in the nearest to the rx end to 3 at the end. But it was not enough. There was a complete impedance mismatching. I partially solved this with a home made magnetic longwire balun (a ferrite toroidal ring with the corresponding turns of wire). It solved my problems of overloading on the shortwaves range. But not in the MW part of the spectrum, hence I used the provided RF attenuator switch of the Kenwood R600 to have usable reception.

When the Degen was inaugurated at my listening post, the antenna and the MLB was still giving too much signal.
After some try, I decided to wind 13 turns of insulated wire on a ferrite bar and another piece of wire in one end of the coil, 6 turns, which were connected to the receiver.

This was the solution and now I have nice reception in all bands.

RF Noise (QRN) is still a problem in some parts of the Tropical bands (90m, some portion of the 60m). But things improved...

73

Horacio Nigro
Uruguay

knyuen88 <knyuen88@...> escribi?:
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> distortion. The problem is only in SSB mode...
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Horacio Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

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http://es.voice.yahoo.com

743. Re: I am leaving this group.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-08 08:39:23 UTC
From: Fabrizio
Topic: 731 Message: 743

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
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> limitted to these "High" bands. More over cannot rule out if those
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> signals from powerful AM stations)

Those stations were not 'mysterious' :)
They were amateurs (hams, OM) transmitting in their own bands, not AM
stations.

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Sure. On my ICOM R10 and Sangean 909 the SSB audio is crystal clear on
all bands.

Fab

744. R: [de1103] Re: I am leaving this group.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-08 09:42:04 UTC
From: lidopasquesi@virgilio.it
Topic: 744 Message: 744

Also in my Degen. Or I am lucky or you are not lucky.
73 Lido

Messaggio originale----
Da: fabriz23@...
Data: 8-nov-2006 9.39
A:
<de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Ogg: [de1103] Re: I am leaving this group.

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745. Re: I am leaving this group.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-08 16:22:54 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 731 Message: 745

Sounded like you got RF parasitic oscillations on those problematical bands. Check any telltale loosen groundings, cold soldering joins, bad components ... otherwise put extra shieldings inside the radio may help.(please see the files section of this forum and check "Degen_de_1103 modifications.zip") Hope we can solve the mysteries now.

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746. Re: I am leaving this group.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-09 08:10:33 UTC
From: Fabrizio
Topic: 731 Message: 746

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
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> Sounded like you got RF parasitic oscillations on those
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> bands.

Yes, this makes sense, but I won't bother doing this, because I have already sold the DE1103 to a friend who is only interested in FM reception and with this radio he is finally able to receive a certain station in the very crowded FM band here in Rome. Anyway, thank you for your efforts in trying to help me!

Then, I am not very good at opening radios and soldering. :) I just have too little experience in this.

Then again, like I said before, this was not the only area where MY De1103's performance was not as good as my new Sangean. It is possible that I had a faulty, defective DE1103. I have not tried other DE1103's though.

I will keep a good memory of this little receiver. It has amazed me many times with its great reception and made me picking up again this hobby after many years.

Fab

747. Storing staions to memory on the Kaito1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-09 14:19:56 UTC
From: epsilon2675
Topic: 747 Message: 747

Hi,

I'm a little confused about 'hidden' storing on the radio functions. It seems that when I try to store stations after 1 thru 11- well, somewhere around there, the memory codes change to a1 a2.. b1 b2.. etc. I thn store the station but don't see it again. What am I doing wrong?
Thanks,
Tom

748. Re: Storing staions to memory on the Kaito1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-09 14:55:18 UTC
From: rv43535
Topic: 747 Message: 748

After storing frequencies into your chosen locations, push the "mem" button once, then use the jog (tuning) knob to scroll through memory.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "epsilon2675" <epsilon2675@...> wrote:
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> Thanks,
> Tom
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749. Re: Storing staions to memory on the Kaito1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-10 13:56:09 UTC
From: epsilon2675
Topic: 747 Message: 749

Thanks.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "rv43535" <rvan@...> wrote:
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750. Possible cause of some problems: corruption from undervoltage?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-10 14:55:08 UTC
From: Dave Spicer
Topic: 750 Message: 750

Just joined the group - my KA1103 arrived yesterday. Began listening to shortwave in the early 1960s with a BC-454 (WWII surplus aircraft receiver), my interest has returned in recent years. Radios have sure evolved!

There has been discussion of problems requiring the batteries to be removed for a few days to allow a kind of "reset". This seems similar to an issue with an older mp3 player I have - a RioOne. In that device, battery exhaustion while playing sometimes results in firmware corruption. The only remedy is to reload the firmware. Perhaps some type of temporary storage in the -1103s gets corrupted under similar conditions, and is only reinitialized from a completely "cold start"?

Of course this is just speculation, and I wouldn't be surprised if it was completely inaccurate and useless. Wouldn't be the first time for me, won't be the last... :-)

- Dave

751. off-topic : Emerson 10-band radio at Sears.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-10 23:03:16 UTC
From: Dennis Ls M Cruz
Topic: 751 Message: 751

hi all,

Has anyone of you here own the Emerson 10-band radio available at Sears.com? It's the one with a rotating AM Ferrite antenna and a big handle bar in the front. It can also be used as a Public Address system since it comes equipped with a mic In and a mic.

What can you say about its overall performance. How sensitive is it on the bands? Does the airband (which is actually incorporated on the FM band hence WFM receive instead of AM mode) works ok? I'm planning to get one as it looks like a fine radio.

Dennis DV7-BKO
the Philippines

crossposted

752. Re: [de1103] off-topic : Emerson 10-band radio at Sears.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-10 23:32:53 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 751 Message: 752

I don't own one one but just wanted to give heads up. Check out some
of the older Passport books if you can get your hands on one for
reviews of the emerson stuff. They don't fair well. Caviat Emptor
I'd say.

On Nov 10, 2006, at 5:03 PM, Dennis Ls M Cruz wrote:

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753. RE: [de1103] off-topic : Emerson 10-band radio at Sears.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-11 00:44:26 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 751 Message: 753

Hey Dennis, I understand that it is a so-so radio. But that being said most people that have one like them. How can you lose?

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dennis Ls M Cruz
Sent: Friday, November 10, 2006 6:03 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] off-topic : Emerson 10-band radio at Sears.com

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754. Just got my Kaito KA11--it's no DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-11 17:17:38 UTC
From: mr__simon
Topic: 754 Message: 754

I bought the new Kaito KA11 from Radios4You on ebay for $52.95 + shipping, and I've had it for a couple days now. There was some speculation that it might be a DE1103/Grundig G5 in a smaller travel size package. I can tell you it is definitely not up to the standards of the DE1103, but it's not a bad radio. If you are looking for something very small, comparable to the discontinued Sony ICF-SW100S or SW1S (one of my all time favorites) it's a good deal.

Pros: Small size, double conversion, built-in battery charger, built-in thermometer (!?), travel lock disables all functions including back light, 1000 memories spread over ten "pages", memories are non-volatile so changing batteries doesn't affect them (changing the batteries does reset the clock though), sensitivity on par to KA1101, works reasonably well with the DE31 antenna

Cons: no travel pouch or batteries included. Operation can be confusing and the manual is poorly written. Sometimes the thermometer displays in Fahrenheit and sometimes in Celsius and I can't figure out why--the manual says nothing; restricted frequency range 5.8 to 18.1 MHz; Handling the radio greatly effects reception, poor dynamic range--the DE31 antenna can cause overloading; quality seems a bit suspect, the "8" and "0" buttons stopped working, but removing the batteries fixed it. I prefer a travel lock switch on the side of the radio, rather than the "press and hold" lock on the front of the KA11.

So while I like mine, I'd say it's only worth looking at if you want something very small for traveling.

755. Some strange interference on the AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-12 15:49:14 UTC
From: wd4dkv
Topic: 755 Message: 755

Hi all,
I have been experiencing some weird qrm on the am bands for quite some time now. It appears at several different places. Just thought I'd post it in case anyone elses is also experiencing the problem. My short video, taken w/ my RP2100 tuned to 710khz, should describe the situation. It appears at other freqs as well.

BTW, I am also a happy de1103 owner. I post the pix of the other radio just because that's the one I was listening to at the time.

If I can post the video, please check it out and I'll be checking back in.
Thanks, Riley.

756. Video for previous post: radio interference

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-12 15:56:34 UTC
From: wd4dkv
Topic: 756 Message: 756

Hey, Guess I didn't think about the file size; I have posted the video on my webserver for you to have a look; here's the link;

http://www.rilogenes.cyberwebhosting.net/assets/radio_interference.mov

Thanks, Riley.

757. Re: Some strange interference on the AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-12 16:09:38 UTC
From: wd4dkv
Topic: 755 Message: 757

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758. Re: [de1103] Re: Some strange interference on the AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-12 18:19:18 UTC
From: Nick Queen
Topic: 755 Message: 758
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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759. Re: Some strange interference on the AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-12 18:49:11 UTC
From: wd4dkv
Topic: 755 Message: 759

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I am also suspecting some new military equipment possibly at the Parris Island base in Beaufort(approx. 60 mi. from my qth).

It is strange, and just wondered if anyone else has heard it. Later, Riley.

760. Re: Some strange interference on the AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-12 22:39:30 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 755 Message: 760

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761. Re: Some strange interference on the AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-13 00:32:16 UTC
From: wd4dkv
Topic: 755 Message: 761

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762. Re: Video for previous post: radio interference

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-13 01:10:36 UTC
From: beaver8899
Topic: 756 Message: 762

Here's a link to various RF noises on radio. Maybe it'll help identify
the source.

http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/HTML/rfi-noise/

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763. RE: [de1103] Re: Some strange interference on the AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-13 01:10:14 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 755 Message: 763

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764. Re: [de1103] Re: Some strange interference on the AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-14 00:40:26 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn)
Topic: 755 Message: 764

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765. Re: [de1103] Re: Some strange interference on the AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-14 01:39:08 UTC
From: Nick Queen
Topic: 755 Message: 765
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766. Re: Some strange interference on the AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-14 18:31:06 UTC
From: wd4dkv
Topic: 755 Message: 766

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Date: 2006-11-14 18:49:45 UTC
From: Nick Queen
Topic: 755 Message: 767
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768. Re: Some strange interference on the AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-14 19:41:16 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 755 Message: 768

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Is the jamming existed all the time 24 hours a day?

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769. Re: [de1103] Re: Some strange interference on the AM band

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Date: 2006-11-14 22:46:52 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn)
Topic: 755 Message: 769

My QTH is Palm beach Gardens Florida

about 11 miles NNE of PBIA airport. correction I hear the jammer on 1550 khz
not 1570 sorry... There seems to be a Cuban station there..

woo woo woo woo woo

Paul

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From: Paul (Skywarn)
Topic: 755 Message: 770
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Okay folks,,

Here is a short mp3 recording of the jamming on 1550 khz.

I think the cuban station is in south miami the radio free
cuba radio station and Fidel and his chinese friends have been sending
this jamming signal for some days now....loudest after dark.
You may have heard about this station from time to time on the news
when they talk about cuba and the miami cubans who support this station.

I had to record it over for a smaller file since the last one
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> Subject: [de1103] Re: Some strange interference on the AM band
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> > powered, ac powered ....) Also always show up during the office
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> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "wd4dkv" <wd4dkv@> wrote:

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771. Re: Some strange interference on the AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-15 00:45:20 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 755 Message: 771

Yet Charleston, SC is seemingly to far away from Cuba yet still pick
up the jamming signals up during daytimes (via ground wave ?).
Sounded strange.
On the other hand, did the jamming stopped when the "Target Miami
station" sign off? Nevertheless if jamming(s) lasting through an
entire day without interruption, cannot rule out it can be sorts of
airport navigation systems/beacons transmitting at the same freq (but
different locations) as part of a network.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul \(Skywarn\)" <wxwatch@...> wrote:
>
> Okay folks,,
>
> Here is a short mp3 recording of the jamming on 1550 khz.
>
> I think the cuban station is in south miami the radio free
> cuba radio station and Fidel and his chinese friends have been
sending
> this jamming signal for some days now....loudest after dark.
> You may have heard about this station from time to time on the news
> when they talk about cuba and the miami cubans who support this
station.
>
> I had to record it over for a smaller file since the last one
> kicked back as too big of a file
>
> Paul
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: wd4dkv
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Tuesday, November 14, 2006 1:31 PM
> Subject: [de1103] Re: Some strange interference on the AM band
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> Paul, What is your qth? I am nr Charleston, SC.
> Also wonder if you can hear it during the day, or just at night.
Not
> that it really matters...consensus seems to be either Chinese
> transmitters located in Cuba or military apparatus of some sort!
>
> In either case...hmm...oh well!
>
> Don't guess it would be beyond the realm of possibility to pick

it up
> from Cuba via ground wave here in the daytime.
>
> In reference to the later post, yes it would definitely be more
> pronounced if you turned on the ssb detector.
> Later, riley ars wd4dkv
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul \(Skywarn\)" <wxwatch@>
wrote:
> >
> > Yes folks at 1570 am I hear it to it sounds like a
> woo-woo-woo-woo-woo-woo
> > it is definetly a jammer from Cuba via china made
transmitter..since
> russia left there now.
> >
> > Paul
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> > N4UUQ
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: Joshua Everett
> > To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> > Sent: Sunday, November 12, 2006 8:10 PM
> > Subject: RE: [de1103] Re: Some strange interference on the AM
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> > Sounds like the Marines have a new gadget. Anyone know if 5950
> Taiwan is being jammed by China via Cuba? Interesting
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> > -----Original Message-----
> > From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On
> Behalf Of wd4dkv
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> > To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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772. Re: Some strange interference on the AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-15 14:35:01 UTC
From: mdovell@adelphia.net
Topic: 755 Message: 772

It could be a repercussion from the HD radio...there's been talk that the HD radio AM stations cause problems in adjacent channels during the day. If you go to hdradio.com you can see what am stations would be in your area. Basically find a station on that site and go 10khz up or down and if there's noise that could be it...

773. Re: Storing staions to memory on the Kaito1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-15 15:38:30 UTC
From: Steve Payne
Topic: 747 Message: 773

Tom, I remember about a year and a half ago, when I first got the 1103 (mine is a Kaito), it took me a while to get used to the thing, especially memory locations. But, I love this radio. Besides it great performance, its unusual user interface characteristics make it more fun to use.

Here are a few big ideas to keep in mind about the 1103's memory storage.

1. Idea One: The memory locations are numbered using the Hexadecimal Numbering System (e.g., 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,A,B,C,D,E,F). It's easier for me if I think about the storage locations in the following groupings:

00-0F (00-09 are visible memory locations; 0A-0F are hidden)
10-1F (10-19 are visible; 1A-1F are hidden)
20-2F (20-29 are visible; 2A-2F are hidden)
30-3F (30-39 are visible; 3A-3F are hidden)
40-4F (40-49 are visible; 4A-4F are hidden)
50-5F etc.
60-6F etc.
70-7F etc.
80-8F etc.
90-9F etc.
A0-AF all memory locations are hidden
B0-BF all memory locations are hidden
C0-CF all memory locations are hidden
D0-DF all memory locations are hidden
E0-EF all memory locations are hidden
F0-FE all memory locations are hidden

2. Idea Two: The difference between Visible memory locations and Hidden memory locations: Visible locations are those that are "all" numeral (e.g., 01,23,34,45,55,67,99). Hidden locations are those with "alpha" characters (e.g., 1A,3E,3D,4B,6F,AA,BA,BD,ED,F1,A3). Any frequencies/stations you enter into the Visible locations can be easily "keyed" into the key pad for direct access (i.e., Enter "10" followed by "M/F" button, and the radio will go to whatever frequency/station you stored in memory 10).

3. Idea Three: Although direct entry of memory locations with the key pad can only be done with Visible locations, jogging through the memory banks with the jog dial wheel while M/F is in MEM mode shows ALL memory locations (visible and hidden) that have frequencies/stations stored in them. Keep in mind that when jogging through the memories in MEM mode, you will only see memory locations

that have something stored in them. It skips all locations that are
blank.

I hope these thoughts help a little.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "epsilon2675" <epsilon2675@...> wrote:
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> Thanks.
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "rv43535" <rvan@> wrote:
> >
> > After storing frequencies into your chosen locations, push
> the "mem"
> > button once, then use the jog (tuning) knob to scroll through
> memory.
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> >
> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "epsilon2675" <epsilon2675@> wrote:
> > >
> > > Hi,
> > >
> > > I'm a little confused about 'hidden' storing on the radio
> functions.
> > > It seems that when I try to store stations after 1 thru 11-
> well,
> > > somewhere around there, the memory codes change to a1 a2.. b1
> b2..
> > > etc. I thn store the station but don't see it again. What am I
> doing
> > > wrong?
> > > Thanks,
> > > Tom
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774. Looking to get a replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-20 03:19:22 UTC
From: war4prez2002
Topic: 774 Message: 774

Should I get simply a new 1103 or wait for a newer one? I have heard of one that 1121 can record on mp3's and also has Wx (not that big of a thing but nice)

I sort of kinda fixed mine but it still isn't right. the jog wheel is better but it screwed up the antenna (it isn't fully tight and I can't find screws small enough for it..)

775. Pellican Micro Case For Degen Radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-20 21:49:49 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 775 Message: 775

Just received my Pellican 1060 Micro Case from L.L. Bean. Fits both my DE1103 and DE1107 radios like a glove. Perfect!

I live in Canada, and I qualified to get free shipping (limited time), and no duty, just the sales tax was extra. WOW. There was only one other place in my town where I could get this case (Mountain Equipment Co-op), but it was more expensive, and it was a crappy color. I got the clear case with the yellow rubber liner.

They also have a nifty color Eton for sale:

http://tinyurl.com/9f89w

Ahh, but I'm over my radio budget. Oh well.

776. Re: Looking to get a replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-21 00:58:45 UTC
From: Steve Payne
Topic: 774 Message: 776

For the price and performance, you can't beat another 1103. But, I just took the plunge today and ordered a new Grundig G5 (as if I need yet another radio). It's the very same as the Eton E5, and, except for the newly designed user interface, is the very same radio as the Degen/Kaito 1103. I just knew that Eton would eventually succumb and rebrand the E5 as a Grundig. I fell for it (unashamedly so) and couldn't resist. One big consideration: It's price is $150 or so, rather than the 1103's 60-80 bucks.

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777. Re: [de1103] Re: Looking to get a replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-21 01:18:29 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 774 Message: 777

On Nov 20, 2006, at 6:58 PM, Steve Payne wrote:

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Pete Nalda

778. Re: Looking to get a replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-21 01:35:39 UTC
From: Steve Payne
Topic: 774 Message: 778

I'll be sure to post a review when I get the G5 and compare it to my 1103. I am hopeful. You may have already done so, but if not, take a look at the RadioIntel review of the Eton E5 (same radio). Here's a link to that review: http://www.radiointel.com/review-etone5.htm. Check out eHam.net's review of the Eton E5 as well.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Pete Nalda <lpnalda@...> wrote:
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779. Re: [de1103] Re: Looking to get a replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-21 01:54:55 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 774 Message: 779

I'll check out the radiointel one. The eham reviews were a bit discouraging. I like my 1103 but find it a bit hostile on the user interface.
On Nov 20, 2006, at 7:35 PM, Steve Payne wrote:

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780. Erasing memories

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-23 12:18:25 UTC
From: radiofanuy
Topic: 780 Message: 780

Hi,
I am new in this group. I received my DE1103 about 10 days ago right from the manufacturer's office in HK. I am quite satisfied with the performance of the receiver. In terms of SW sensitivity I find it roughly equal to my old Sony ICF-7600DS. On FM of course it's far better than any other receiver I own.

My question is, is it possible to erase a given memory position without entering a new frequency? I guess than resetting the unit will do the trick, but I would like to erase just one or a few of the memories.

73,
Moises

781. Re: [de1103] Erasing memories

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-23 17:44:01 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 780 Message: 781
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

the below method is from page 14 of the manual.

"OBJ"

On Nov 23, 2006, at 6:18 AM, radiofanuy wrote:

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782. Re: Erasing memories

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-24 12:52:14 UTC
From: radiofanuy
Topic: 780 Message: 782

Thank you Pete! In fact the attachment in your message was filtered by the server, but anyhow you called my attention to the user's manual. It's so obvious... just that the Manual is so ... humble that I forgot about its existence!

I also learned that resetting the unit won't erase the memories, unless you press three more keys simultaneously.

Thanks again!

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783. Re: [de1103] Re: Erasing memories

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-24 17:55:10 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 780 Message: 783

well, glad you got the page number anyway. guess yahoo or gmail (my server) doesn't like me cutting/pasting from the pdf because it's not text but a graphic.

On Nov 24, 2006, at 6:52 AM, radiofanuy wrote:

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784. Degen 1103 Receiver and Frt-7700 tuner

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-26 12:34:16 UTC
From: Paul (Bladerunner)
Topic: 784 Message: 784

Hey gang,

Love my degen 1103 receiver even now more than ever. I picked on ebay up a yaseu frt-7700 preselector tuner. It has a filter for low band harmonics filtering and tunes real nice on random wires especially those from 35-50 ft..even for am band..in any case if you get a chance search on ebay and keep tabs on one to bid..it also has a built in attenuator up to 50db attenuation!

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=160045311943&sspagename=ADME:L:AAQ:US:1

frt-7700 manual
http://www.owdjim.gen.nz/chris/radio/frt7700.pdf

Paul

785. tuning AM on ssb

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-30 02:18:45 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 785 Message: 785

Has anyone here tried tuning in AM in SSB mode to try and reduce distortion? I tried last night and it seems to help. I have always had a difficult time with WWCR in I think Tennesee. I tuned 2kHz high and it was in fact a little better.

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786. Re: [de1103] tuning AM on ssb

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-30 04:55:31 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 785 Message: 786

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----- Original Message -----
From: "yzordderrex2003" <yzordderrex2003@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2006 2:18 AM
Subject: [de1103] tuning AM on ssb

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Leon
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787. RE: tuning AM on ssb

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-11-30 14:44:15 UTC
From: Phil Pasteur
Topic: 785 Message: 787

What you are doing is called Exalted Carrier Selectable Sideband tuning (most often referred to as ECSS). Indeed its use came from the early days of radio reception, but it is still widely used by serious short wave listeners. It can help eliminate what is called selective fading distortion. It also allows you to select the sideband signal with the least amount of interference. Because many radios use narrower filters for SSB, often you can use this method to separate out stations closely spaced or even on the same frequency. Many prefer its use (particularly with radios that have passband tuning) to the use of AM Synchronous Detection that is found in many high end receivers.

In any case, you have figured out how to use the capabilities of your radio in a way that can help you dig out some of those more difficult signals. Congratulations!!

Phil P.

1a. tuning AM on ssb
Posted by: "yzordderrex2003" yzordderrex2003@... yzordderrex2003
Date: Wed Nov 29, 2006 6:25 pm ((PST))

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1b. Re: tuning AM on ssb
Posted by: "Leon Heller" leon.heller@... leon_heller
Date: Thu Nov 30, 2006 12:32 am ((PST))

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788. DE1103/KA1103 vs. dx-398

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-01 14:48:10 UTC
From: Tarheel
Topic: 788 Message: 788

I currently own a DX-398 and it does an excellent job with an external antenna but not off the whip. I'm considering buying a DE1103/KA1103 for it's performance off the whip. Can anyone here with experiences with both radios give me a comparison of the two radios. Thanks.

789. Better speaker?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-02 00:45:58 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 789 Message: 789

Has anybody found a better speaker that will fit into the radio?

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790. Re: [de1103] DE1103/KA1103 vs. dx-398

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-01 17:36:12 UTC
From: KEN ATV
Topic: 788 Message: 790

Hello, I have owned both radios and the 1103 blows away the 398 on the whip. I sold the 398 and kept the 1103. If you get one with no issues, it is a real star. Ken.

791. Re: [de1103] DE1103/KA1103 vs. dx-398

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-01 16:00:32 UTC
From: Denis Jackson
Topic: 788 Message: 791

Tarheel,
Sounds like you may be in NC. I am in Winston Salem. I use the DE1103 with the whip with excellent results. I have not had any experience with the DX-398. Of course geographical location can make a lot of difference.
Denis Jackson

----- Original Message ----
From: Tarheel <mk2jay@...m>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 1, 2006 9:48:10 AM
Subject: [de1103] DE1103/KA1103 vs. dx-398

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Do you Yahoo!?
Everyone is raving about the all-new Yahoo! Mail beta.
http://new.mail.yahoo.com

792. Re: Better speaker?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-02 04:24:23 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 789 Message: 792

Owing to limitted case space (The radio size --- Speaker enclosures) it is easier said than done! Use the line outputs of the radio and hook up to a decent stereo amplifier (with top-of-the-lines speaker pairs !) may fulfill your requirement. Unfortunately the shortwave tuned IF band pass width may still fail to meet your expectations. Hope it helps.

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793. Re: [de1103] DE1103/KA1103 vs. dx-398

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-02 06:36:20 UTC
From: MWBRYANT@aol.com
Topic: 788 Message: 793

I have both receivers. The 1103 is far more sensitive, particularly off just the whip. The 398 does a better job of handling real external antennas and really shines when being used to demodulate USB or LSB. The 1103's SSB demodulation isn't one of the real strengths of the radio. Still, I end up using the 1103 much more.

Mike Bryant

794. Re: [de1103] Re: Better speaker?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-02 11:27:17 UTC
From: Dave Spicer
Topic: 789 Message: 794

knyuen88 wrote:

> Use the line outputs of the radio and hook
> up to a decent stereo amplifier (with top-of-the-lines speaker pairs !)

There are many amplifier/speaker combos designed for use with iPods and the like - the ones which also accommodate other mp3 players will have the correct plug for connecting the DE1103. I haven't tried this myself, so I can't say whether the impedance and output level would be suitable... try before you buy :-)

- Dave, in the North Carolina mountains (Asheville)

795. Re: DE31 Loop Antenna mod

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-02 15:17:41 UTC
From: kurterich_finger
Topic: 710 Message: 795

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul \(Skywarn\)" <wxwatch@...> wrote:
>
> Hello,
>
> If anyone is interested in making the loop more tunable
> in for only the lower bands 3-8.000 MHz. Just take the
> 4 screws off remove the loop wire antenna amplifier
> (The part the wire loop goes into triangular shape.
> .....

> noise but not that peak tune up as with 3-8 MHz band.
>
> Good luck.
> Paul
>
> Works great especially
>
Hello,
I found another idea in a German magazine (Funkamateur, 2/06
www.funkamateur.de). The author tested the original DE31 and found
that the antenna only showed a noticable gain above 9MHz. At 5MHz
there is not much differece to the built-in antenna.
To be able to tune also between 2MHz and 7MHz he added inductivities
to the loop (for frequencies between 2 and 5 MHz a Amidon T130-2 with
45 windings of a 0.6 mm copper wire is used for the rabge 5 to 15MHz
an T106-6 core with 13 windings was used, de-solder the loop at the
amplifier, find which connection is ground (low resistance between
this point and ground of the the plug), and the coil into the hot part)
I bought three DE31 directly in China. Two of them were modified
acoordingly. One was left in the original state. Now I can change the
bands plugging the appropriate antenna to the control unit. One could
also add a switch at the inductivities and use only one DE31. However
that would mean leaving the chair to change the band.
cheers
Kurt-Erich

796. Preselector for DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-02 15:33:50 UTC
From: kurterich_finger
Topic: 796 Message: 796

For those who use a long wire and don't want to spent too much money for a commercial presector (like me), there is a thread in a german forum. The drawings should be self explaining. (should you have problems buying the variable capacitor, ebay is a good source (at least here in Germany))
http://www.wellenforum.de/
wellenforum>Technik>Zubehör>Preselector für DE1103
The links should lead you to the drawings

797. RE: [de1103] Preselector for DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-03 04:38:14 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 796 Message: 797

Thanks! I am using the MFJ 956 and works pretty good.

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of kurterich_finger
Sent: Saturday, December 02, 2006 10:34 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Preselector for DE1103

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798. RE: [de1103] Preselector for DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-03 04:57:34 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 796 Message: 798

The link is locked

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of kurterich_finger
Sent: Saturday, December 02, 2006 10:34 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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799. Re: Preselector for DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-06 11:00:23 UTC
From: h41it
Topic: 796 Message: 799

Please, a free link...
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800. Re: Preselector for DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-06 11:21:59 UTC
From: lambdadork
Topic: 796 Message: 800

http://www.geocities.com/amdxlog/index.html

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "h41it" <h41it@...> wrote:
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> Please, a free link...
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801. Re: Preselector for DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-06 17:32:39 UTC
From: kurterich_finger
Topic: 796 Message: 801

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "lambdadork" <jasper.greve@...> wrote:
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> http://www.geocities.com/amdxlog/index.html
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "h41it" <h41it@> wrote:
> >
> > Please, a free link...
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>
I uploaded the drawing to >Files (Simple_Preselector)
The inductivity should be 5muH for 3-10MHz or 0.6muH for 9-30MHz.
The fat line in the drawing means a connection to the frame of the
variable condensator.

802. JH5ESM's external RF attenuator and CW filter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-07 04:37:25 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 802 Message: 802

Check this out:
http://homepage3.nifty.com/jh5esm/handmade/de1103accessories.html

Did not find any prior ref to JH5ESM. I've added a link on the Links page.

73, Tom VE3MEO

803. Re: tuning AM on ssb

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-07 04:48:28 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 785 Message: 803

It's EC alright but the filter and BFO offset are not adequate (at least not on my receiver) to describe it as ECSS. My BFO (Fine Tuning) can offset up to about 1.5kHz so the max main tuning offset is 1kHz, given that is the size of the tuning steps. The filter is at least 4kHz wide at -6dB with a wide skirt so the offset should be about 2.5 kHz for reasonable suppression of the unwanted sideband. With 1kHz main tuning steps, 2kHz or 3kHz are the closest offsets but you'd need a much coarser 'Fine Tuning' control for that range, making zero beat very hard to find. But NEO says he tuned 2kHz high so maybe manufacturing tolerances or a production change has resulted in some capable of a 2kHz offset.

I first commented on this in the old group at http://groups.yahoo.com/group/kaito-de1103/message/1421 .

73, Tom VE3MEO

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804. Extended BFO range?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-08 04:43:17 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 804 Message: 804

Here's a question for the technical literati...

Has anybody got a mod to extend the range of the BFO. On my 1103, I think it's approx +/-1.5kHz. I'd like it to be at least +/-2kHz, maybe even +/-3kHz, for better sideband suppression when receiving SSB signals or for exalted carrier AM detection. Trouble is, the FINE control might be too coarse for easy zero-beat.

According to the Russian review by Iris, the narrow filter's measured -3dB bandwidth was -2.2 to +2.6kHz, 4.8kHz in total. Ideally, for both SSB and ECSS, the carrier frequency should be down the slope of the skirt by 12 to 20 dB. That suggests a BFO offset from the i.f. of +/-3kHz is needed because the radio tunes in integer steps of 1kHz. An offset of +/-2kHz would not suppress the carrier frequency at zero beat by more than a couple dB while +/-4kHz is likely excessive (>20dB by interpolating to the Iris' reported -60dB bandwidth of -7.5/+8 kHz).

Looking at the schematic, Q19 is the BFO transistor whose oscillating frequency is determined by the 456kHz ceramic resonator U8 and surrounding capacitances. VD2 is a dual varactor diode biased via the FINE control W701 to provide a variable capacitance in series with the resonator to ground. The IF is 450kHz so, in my radio, the highest BFO frequency must be about 451.5kHz and the lowest 448.5kHz, given the observed +/-1.5kHz offset. I want to push it to 453/447kHz. On my DX-394 with a similar bandwidth SSB filter, the offsets from 455kHz are +/-3.5 kHz in order to get reasonable sideband suppression.

The lowest frequency should occur when VD2 is at maximum capacitance (the FINE wiper is closest to ground) and highest at its minimum capacitance (wiper closest to the voltage coming from IC7, whatever it is.

The range might be extended above 451.5 kHz if we could supply W701 with a higher voltage but that would do nothing for the lower stop; is there a higher voltage available? Removal or reduction of 100p C706 might also lift both limits, the higher moreso than the lower, as it parallels VD2.

447kHz might be more than a 456kHz resonator can be stably pulled. Probably, increasing the series combo of 103p C704 and 102p C705 that parallel VD2 would pull it lower (unfortunately on both limits) but they also are part of the feedback network and that could affect output level. What are these values 102p and 103p - are they so critical that a 1p difference is significant?

Maybe the requirements for the two extended limits are contradictory and they cannot be met without switching some elements, e.g., two ceramic resonators. If switching was voltage sensitive, maybe it could be triggered by the FINE control so that half of its range tuned around 447kHz and the other half tuned around 453kHz. The DX-394 uses separate ceramic resonators for the two BFO frequencies but with no operator control to vary them.

Is this too complicated and power and space hungry to be feasible?

73, Tom VE3MEO

805. tuning problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-08 14:40:44 UTC
From: llevitis
Topic: 805 Message: 805

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Any comments on how to fix this problem are appreciated.

Thank you all,
Leon

806. Fw: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-08 17:05:34 UTC
From: Tom Holden
Topic: 806 Message: 806

This 'son of 1103' is sure to create a buzz...

----- Original Message -----
From: "weatherall" <weatherall.2ihn1d@...>
Newsgroups: rec.radio.shortwave
Sent: Friday, December 08, 2006 12:40 AM
Subject: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com

>
> The upcoming Kaito 1121 radio, combining a digital radio and an mp3
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> for mw/sw for pre-orders.
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> weatherall

807. RE: [de1103] tuning problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-08 22:51:25 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 805 Message: 807

How old is it? The older ones have an encoder problem!

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of llevitis
Sent: Friday, December 08, 2006 9:41 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] tuning problem

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808. Re: tuning problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-08 23:48:00 UTC
From: llevitis
Topic: 805 Message: 808

I got it from Universal_Radio in January 2006.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
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809. RE: [de1103] Fw: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-09 04:01:07 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 806 Message: 809

Here is the Chinese version.
http://cgi.ebay.com/DE1121-DIGITAL-PLL-FM-MW-LW-SW-SSB-MP3-RADIO_W0QQitemZ14
0062903151QQihZ004QQcategoryZ15051QQcmdZViewItem?hash=item140062903151

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Tom Holden
Sent: Friday, December 08, 2006 12:06 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Fw: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com

This 'son of 1103' is sure to create a buzz...

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> weatherall

810. RE: [de1103] Re: tuning problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-09 04:13:53 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 805 Message: 810

I would send it back for a new one soon!

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From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-09 05:13:27 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 806 Message: 811

That's a lot of capability for the price - $79.90 vs $49.90 for the DE1103. It's sort of a DE1103 with a docking MP3 recorder/player and then some! Computer loadable frequency memories, LW and Weather bands, 1 & 5 kHz steps on SW, a third attenuator setting and powered speaker for external sources are obvious extras. Missing is coverage of the upper MW 1.7-3 MHz.

Looks like the LCD screen of the MP3 module is shared with the radio but literature says the radio and MP3 can work independently.

Time for somebody to start a KA1121 / DE1121 group!

73, Tom VE3MEO

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812. RE: [de1103] Re: Fw: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-09 13:03:31 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 806 Message: 812

You can direct tune to 75 meters. Also no weather bands on Chinese version.

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Tom Holden VE3MEO
Sent: Saturday, December 09, 2006 12:13 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: Fw: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com

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> <mailto:weatherall.2ihn1d%40news.radiobanter.com>
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> Newsgroups: rec.radio.shortwave
> Sent: Friday, December 08, 2006 12:40 AM
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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-09 13:05:46 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 806 Message: 813

I plan on getting the C version and maybe the Kaito later on. Pretty cool radio.....

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814. Re: Fw: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-09 15:24:36 UTC
From: war4prez2002
Topic: 806 Message: 814

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I wonder if you could combine it with the alarm...in other words make it like a tivo or time tracker for radio...there's plenty of content on air when I'm asleep or at work....

I can do it with video with a pvr with ease...radio just seems like...well...this could be a good start.

815. Re: Fw: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-09 16:49:04 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 806 Message: 815

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816. Re: Fw: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-09 19:17:14 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 806 Message: 816

Hmmm - quite the spread...

Degen DE1121 China model from tquchina ebay seller: US$79.90 + $24 shipping to Canada
Kaito KA1121 US model: US$$199.99 + shipping
Thieking DE1121 Europe model: Euro219,00 + shipping (~US$$290)

What are the differences? According to adverts:

Frequencies:
China model:
FM: 70.0MHz - 108.0MHz (step is 50KHz/100KHz)
MW & LW: 150KHz - 1640KHz (step is 1KHz/9KHz)
SW: 3000KHz - 29999KHz (step is 1KHz/5KHz)

US model:
1. AM: 140 Khz -520Khz (Long Wave), 520 KHz- 1710Khz (MW)
2. FM Stereo: 70Mhz- 88.0Mhz (Low FM), 88.00Mhz - 108 MHz(Upper FM)
3. SW: 3000 KHz - 29,999 KHz
6. NOAA Weather Band : Channel 1 - Channel 7.

German model:
Long wave: 50 kHz - 521 kHz!
Medium wave: 522 - 1719 kHz
Short wave: 1700 kHz - 29.999 MHz
UKW: 70 - 108 MHz
menus in German

The models are likely identical hardware with different firmware versions so I wonder if the China model can be:
a) tuned by keypad into the extended LW, MW, SW and NOAA ranges of the others
b) firmware upgraded by the software for one of the other models (eg - the thiecom site has their software)

Tom

817. Re: Extended BFO range?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-09 19:24:09 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 804 Message: 817

I hope this isn't going to be a soliloquy... Anybody?

Noticed that 1 of the back-back varactor diodes VD2 does not have a
dc path to ground so I wonder if it is even varying in capacitance.
If effectively unbiased and at maximum capacitance, regardless, maybe
something could be done with it for extended range.

Tom

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tom Holden VE3MEO"
<holden_family@...> wrote:
> [snip]
> Looking at the schematic, Q19 is the BFO transistor whose
oscillating
> frequency is determined by the 456kHz ceramic resonator U8 and
> surrounding capacitances. VD2 is a dual varactor diode biased via
the
> FINE control W701 to provide a variable capacitance in series with
> the resonator to ground. The IF is 450kHz so, in my radio, the
> highest BFO frequency must be about 451.5kHz and the lowest
448.5kHz,
> given the observed +/-1.5kHz offset. I want to push it to
453/447kHz.
> [snip]
>
> The lowest frequency should occur when VD2 is at maximum
capacitance
> (the FINE wiper is closest to ground) and highest at its minimum
> capacitance (wiper closest to the voltage coming from IC7, whatever
> it is.
> [snip]

818. Re: Fw: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-09 21:52:57 UTC
From: war4prez2002
Topic: 806 Message: 818

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819. RE: [de1103] Re: Fw: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-10 02:18:27 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 806 Message: 819

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820. Degen and mini whip antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-10 10:41:59 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 820 Message: 820

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Antenna work very good and is better than longwire 20-40m long especially for band 20-400kHz and for 80meter HAM band!

Best regards, Jara Rat

821. Re: Degen and mini whip antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-10 12:08:17 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 820 Message: 821

Jara,

I have the mfj 10 ft adjustable telescopic antenna. It has a 3/8 base threading connection. Did you use the ground with this or not? What did you use for a feedline or connection to vertical antenna out side.?

Paul

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822. Preamp FET and FM filter replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-10 23:37:09 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 822 Message: 822

The FET preamp problem

It's time to open the receiver for the first time, since it appears that the front end FET (the YJ from the preamp) has blown. I get reception with diminished sensitivity after a lightining storm some time ago, using a longwire. The lightnings were no very near but one of them was enough to produce the problem.

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But using the longwire, now without a second step ferrite transformer that I had to insert after the magnetic longwire balun for convenient matching witout overloading, I can receive signals in a good manner.

Before the lightning stom, the use of the magnetic balun gave too much signal, overloading the front-end, and I decided to add a second xfrmer, a ferrite bar with 10 turns to the ant/ 4 to the rcvr, near my receiver. The mlb was always connected at the end of the wire and connected the coax to it:

longwire 25 m long ------- mlb------ coax--------- ferrite bar xfrmr ---- Degen 1103

When the problem happened, I had to eliminate th ferrite xfmr.

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I hope the replacement will work to return original reception back

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Accordingly, I have got two Murata filters, one for 53 kHz (labeled "131"), the other 110 kHz (labeled "252") from Italy.

The guide published at http://www.bclnews.it/html/filtridegen/filtridegen.htm
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823. RE: [de1103] Preamp FET and FM filter replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-11 09:50:33 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 822 Message: 823

Should've written My Question to the Group...

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824. Narrow FM Filters for DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-10 22:45:44 UTC
From: 3CX100A5
Topic: 824 Message: 824

Hi All,

I have e-mailed Media Plaza Shop re the following filters (their order codes & prices shown) but as yet they have not replied:-
MURA150 Murata SFE10.7MJA 150 kHz 2,00 euro
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Does anyne know an internet supplier that has them available for online purchase?

Many thanks, John.

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-10 21:22:36 UTC
From: C.L.B.
Topic: 806 Message: 825

Here is a full size picture of the radio. The price is where I had hoped it would be. I'm very interested in purchasing this ASAP based on the astounding performance of my Degen 1103.

I believe this 1121, will probably equal, or surpass the Eton top of the line radio.

Let's get it!

At 08:18 PM 12/09/2006, you wrote:

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www.1230thebuzz.com

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826. RE: [de1103] Narrow FM Filters for DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-11 15:05:20 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 824 Message: 826

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827. New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-12 02:03:39 UTC
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343 Message: 827

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File : /Modifica_Degen_1103_2[1].doc
Uploaded by : hanigrodx <hanigrodx@...>
Description : FM filters modification (text in Italian + photo of arrangement)

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Regards,

hanigrodx <hanigrodx@...>

828. Re: Narrow FM Filters for DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-12 02:11:31 UTC
From: hanigrodx
Topic: 824 Message: 828

I finally got the photo depicting the arrangement of two FM filters to substitute. There is also a brief description in Italian (further EG translation and additional comments welcomed on this group).

Seems also we have to temporarily remove/disassemble some pieces of some component (audio pot) for better comfort working in the nearby of the filters and also says something about removing the antenna wires from the PCB.

More ideas?

73

Horacio

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Horacio Nigro <hanigrodx@...> wrote:
>
> And after you got them I need to know in which order they are installed.
> I have the 53 kHz and the 110 kHz.
> A photo reference is at http://www.bclnews.it/html/filtridegen/filtridegen.htm
> but the pieces are not identified.
> Seems that when are cascaded the narrowest goes first but I don't have too much idea looking at the component view photos.
>
> Horacio
>
> 3CX100A5 <a3cx100a5@...> escribió:
> Hi All,
>
> I have e-mailed Media Plaza Shop re the following filters (their order
> codes & prices shown) but as yet they have not replied:-
> MURA150 Murata SFE10.7MJA 150 kHz 2,00 euro
> MURA110 Murata SFE10.7MHY 110 kHz 2,50 euro
> MURA80 Murata SFE10.7MTE 80 kHz 4,50 euro
> MURA53 Murata SFE10.7MVE 53 kHz 5,80 euro
> Does anyne know an internet supplier that has them available for
> online purchase?
>
> Many thanks, John.
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>
> Horacio Nigro
> Montevideo
> Uruguay
>
> ---
>
> LLama Gratis a cualquier PC del Mundo.
> Llamadas a fijos y móviles desde 1 céntimo por minuto.
> http://es.voice.yahoo.com
>

829. Re: Narrow FM Filters for DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-11 21:16:34 UTC
From: 3CX100A5
Topic: 824 Message: 829

Hi Horacio,

I've looked at those photos and in the one showing the filters with white rectangles identifying them, the right hand one is the first and the left one is the second. The signal flow at this point is from right to left as the board is shown upside down.
However, I question fitting the narrow filter first!?
I thought the wide filter went first followed by the narrow, if you are using different bandwidth filters. Possibly it makes little difference.
My intention is to buy the full selection (two of each), fit 3 pin sockets after removing the originals and then try various combinations.
The final intention is to select a wide(ish) option for reasonable quality and a narrow option for DX and then diode switch between the two using the existing AM Wide/Narrow switch.
Well that's the plan anyway!!

First I need to find somewhere that will sell me all the filters!

73, John.

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830. new yahoo-group for the DE1104

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-12 20:23:25 UTC
From: Omar K Neusser
Topic: 830 Message: 830

Hallo all of you & good day!

There is a new yahoo-group for the DE1104

Welcome to join it!

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1104

831. Re: Fw: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-12 21:57:40 UTC
From: harle83
Topic: 806 Message: 831

Surely you jest! The e1xm has almost everything a top of the line
tabletop has. Are you telling me a radio that is that small with no
passband tuning, filter choices or a sync detector is better than a
500.00 e1xm?? I don't think so. While I to have one on my wish list,
it in no way compares to the e1. That is the best portable around and
will be for sometime to come.
73,
Harry
K9HDT

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "C.L.B." <clydebenson@...> wrote:
>
> Here is a full size picture of the radio. The price is where I had
> hoped it would be. I'm very interested in purchasing this ASAP
based
> on the astounding performance of my Degen 1103.
>
> I believe this 1121, will probably equal, or surpass the Eton top
of
> the line radio.
>
> Let's get it!
>
>
>
> At 08:18 PM 12/09/2006, you wrote:
>
> ><http://cgi.ebay.com/DE1121-DIGITAL-PLL-FM-MW-LW-SW-SSB-MP3-
RADIO_W0QQitemZ140063016123QQihZ004QQcategoryZ15051QQcmdZViewItem?
hash=item140063016123>http://cgi.ebay.com/DE1121-DIGITAL-PLL-FM-MW-LW-
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RADIO_W0QQitemZ140063016123QQihZ004QQcategoryZ15051QQcmdZViewItem?
hash=item140063016123
> >
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> >
> >-----Original Message-----
> >From: de1103@...m [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On
> >Behalf Of war4prez2002
> >Sent: Saturday, December 09, 2006 4:53 PM
> >To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> >Subject: [de1103] Re: Fw: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com
> >
> >

> >
> >Apparently this is getting a bit confusing because I was searching
> >under kaito and degen to nothing found. typed in 1121 and this
didn't
> >come up. It must be the way how ebay does their searches. Needless
to
> >say however there's a HUGE difference in price (3x if not more)
> >between the german one and the chinese one...
> >
> > > No, I count 26 currently available on ebay, all from seller
> >tquchina,
> > > plus US$24 shipping.
> > >
> > > Joshua says weatherband not included on model from China but is
on
> >the
> > > Kaito model for North America.
> > >
> > > The European model from Thieking and Koch has something
different,
> >too,
> > > I believe:
> > >
> >
<http://www.thiecom.de/thieking/de1121/index.htm>http://www.thiecom.de
/thieking/de1121/index.htm
> > in German
> > > English translation:
> > >
> > <http://translate.google.com/translate?u=http%3A%2F%
2Fwww.thiecom.de%25>http://translate.google.com/translate?u=http%3A%
2F%2Fwww.thiecom.de%
> > > 2Fthieking%2Fde1121%2Findex.htm&langpair=de%7Cen&hl=en&ie=UTF-
> >8&oe=UTF-
> > > 8&prev=%2Flanguage_tools
> > > Most obvious is no gap coverage from 50kHz to 30MHz.
> > >
> > >
> > > >
> > > > I wonder if you could combine it with the alarm...in other
words
> >make
> > > > it like a tivo or time tracker for radio...there's plenty of
> >content
> > > > on air when I'm asleep or at work....
> > >
> > > Clear indication of that on the thiecom site but limited to
three
> > > alarms.
> > >

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>
> www.tryfrutavida.com/2283012
>
> www.frutavida.com/2283012
>
> The QUEEN of night time radio. The most intelligent, charismatic,
> high-minded, wise woman in human history
> holds court from 1800 to 2100 CDT at the link below:Listen to her
> and be humanized! Bev Smith!
> http://www.waok.com or http://www.what1340i.com
>
> Listen to the King of Talk and the Emperor of talk nightly from
1800
> until 2359 on:
> www.1230thebuzz.com
>
> http://www.telebay.com/7777
>
> http://theblogpicture.blogspot.com/
>

832. New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-13 13:39:58 UTC
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343 Message: 832

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Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
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group.

File : /vanoc.jpg
Uploaded by : krysatec <krysatec@...>
Description : Merry Christmas by Jara "Rat"!

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http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/vanoc.jpg

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/files

Regards,

krysatec <krysatec@...>
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833. Re: Fw: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-13 17:34:43 UTC
From: wgmartin999
Topic: 806 Message: 833

Certainly an interesting-looking unit! Perhaps some of
you who have studied this ad more closely could answer
this: It seemed to me that the description said that
the MP3 recorder would record from FM or microphone,
but there was no mention of it recording from AM (MW) or SW.
Surely if it recorded from one type of radio reception,
it would record from all? So could this record SW
programs? Can you set this for unattended timer recording?
And how long can the MP3 unit record (1 hour, 2 hours, more)?

Will

834. MDS testing?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-13 03:05:14 UTC
From: Ken Bessler
Topic: 834 Message: 834

I have been searching through the archives but have not been able to find anyone doing a MDS test (Minimum Discernable Signal) on the 1103. Fortunatly, I have the test equipment needed to do this and my KA1103 should arrive tomorrow so after I make sure mine has no defects, I'll hook up at the test bench and see just how good the reciever is on this little gem. I have other radios tested and we will be able to compare the 1103's performance to these radios:

Elecraft K2 #4913 -141.7dbm
Yaesu FT-857D -138.1dbm
Icom IC706mkIIg -139.8dbm
Kenwood TS850SAT -147.9dbm

All tests have been done on 75/40/20 meters with the above numbers averaged over several testing sessions on all three bands that my Elecraft XG-2 operates on. I'll also do a 1uV test (S-9) to see where S9 is on the 1103's meter.

P.S. That's no typo - my TS850SAT heard better than my K2! At first I thought I had goofed in the construction of the K2 so I compared it to another at a hamfest. It's just fine. The Kenwood is simply hotter.

I'll post my test report tomorrow or soon thereafter.

Ken KG0WX

835. Re: Fw: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-13 22:31:40 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 806 Message: 835

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "wgmartin999" <wgmartin999@...> wrote:
>
> Certainly an interesting-looking unit! Perhaps some of
> you who have studied this ad more closely could answer
> this: It seemed to me that the description said that
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> Surely if it recorded from one type of radio reception,
> it would record from all? So could this record SW
> programs? Can you set this for unattended timer recording?
> And how long can the MP3 unit record (1 hour, 2 hours, more)?
>
> Will
>
From what I have read, the DE1121 has three alarm timers similar to the 1103 where you can set any (LW, MW, SW, VHF) frequency and time for the radio to turn on. In addition, the 1121 has a record duration attribute for each alarm for timed recording. It will repeat the three events every day unless cancelled. I do not know if there is a programmatic limit to the duration. The 256MB capacity of the flash memory sets a physical limit on recording capacity, depending on the bitrate selected. I think 15 hours is cited for some low bitrate. That said, the user must manage memory utilisation. I have not seen how timer recordings are named - automatically and uniquely or fixed and overrecorded each day.

Tom

836. Re: Fw: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-14 01:32:59 UTC
From: beaver8899
Topic: 806 Message: 836

Many MP3 players have their own FM tuners, so maybe recording FM is based on this.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "wgmartin999" <wgmartin999@...> wrote:
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> Will
>

837. Re: Extended BFO range?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-16 00:47:08 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 804 Message: 837

Hi Tom,

I hope you don't mind me reply on the top. I have a few points that might be valid.

It looks like pot W701 is connected to the switched power supply at the collector of Q17. I think the voltage is coming from Q17 rather than IC7. (No idea what IC7 is doing) It looks like this (emitter 0f Q17)comes from Q4 which comes from +3v supply. So I can't imagine too much swing on the varactor to begin with as you say. I think W701 could be connected to any supply and you could probably find one that is higher than Q17. I wonder what is teh resistance of W701 so that would it be a big drain on battery if left on VDD at all time. If you change Q17 to a small p channel mosfet you could probably do better voltagewise. Or just hang a discreet P channel whose only job is to turn W701 on. Maybe hang right off of VDD or use small 100ohm with 0.1uf (104p) capacitor to go into fet. (You don't want to modulate BFO with any noise that is existing on the supply.) I would think this could extend your range by way of less capacitance at the hight voltage. Then you could add capacitance in parallel with I think it is C705 - the 100pf connected directly to the 456kc resonator.

I suppose you could look for a diode with larger capacitance swing. The varactor used in the DE31 active antenna has a very large swing as I recall reading.

73
Bob

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tom Holden VE3MEO"
<holden_family@...> wrote:
>
> Here's a question for the technical literati...
>
> Has anybody got a mod to extend the range of the BFO. On my 1103,
I
> think it's approx +/-1.5kHz. I'd like it to be at least +/-2kHz,
> maybe even +/-3kHz, for better sideband suppression when receiving
> SSB signals or for exalted carrier AM detection. Trouble is, the
FINE
> control might be too coarse for easy zero-beat.
>
> According to the Russian review by Iris, the narrow filter's
> measured -3dB bandwidth was -2.2 to +2.6kHz, 4.8kHz in total.
> Ideally, for both SSB and ECSS, the carrier frequency should be

down
> the slope of the skirt by 12 to 20 dB. That suggests a BFO offset
> from the i.f. of +/-3kHz is needed because the radio tunes in
integer
> steps of 1kHz. An offset of +/-2kHz would not suppress the carrier
> frequency at zero beat by more than a couple dB while +/-4kHz is
> likely excessive (>20dB by interpolating to the Iris' reported -
60dB
> bandwidth of -7.5/+8 kHz).
>
> Looking at the schematic, Q19 is the BFO transistor whose
oscillating
> frequency is determined by the 456kHz ceramic resonator U8 and
> surrounding capacitances. VD2 is a dual varactor diode biased via
the
> FINE control W701 to provide a variable capacitance in series with
> the resonator to ground. The IF is 450kHz so, in my radio, the
> highest BFO frequency must be about 451.5kHz and the lowest
448.5kHz,
> given the observed +/-1.5kHz offset. I want to push it to
453/447kHz.
> On my DX-394 with a similar bandwidth SSB filter, the offsets from
> 455kHz are +/-3.5 kHz in order to get reasonable sideband
suppression.
>
> The lowest frequency should occur when VD2 is at maximum
capacitance
> (the FINE wiper is closest to ground) and highest at its minimum
> capacitance (wiper closest to the voltage coming from IC7,
whatever
> it is.
>
> The range might be extended above 451.5 kHz if we could supply
W701
> with a higher voltage but that would do nothing for the lower
stop;
> is there a higher voltage available? Removal or reduction of 100p
> C706 might also lift both limits, the higher moreso than the
lower,
> as it parallels VD2.
>
> 447kHz might be more than a 456kHz resonator can be stably pulled.
> Probably, increasing the series combo of 103p C704 and 102p C705
that
> parallel VD2 would pull it lower (unfortunately on both limits)
but
> they also are part of the feedback network and that could affect
> output level. What are these values 102p and 103p - are they so
> critical that a 1p difference is significant?
>

> Maybe the requirements for the two extended limits are
contradictory
> and they cannot be met without switching some elements, e.g., two
> ceramic resonators. If switching was voltage sensitive, maybe it
> could be triggered by the FINE control so that half of its range
> tuned around 447kHz and the other half tuned around 453kHz. The DX-
> 394 uses separate ceramic resonators for the two BFO frequencies
but
> with no operator control to vary them.
>
> Is this too complicated and power and space hungry to be feasible?
>
> 73, Tom VE3MEO
>

838. Got any software enhancements?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-16 01:00:54 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 838 Message: 838

I wonder if DEGEN reads this message board and would pay any attention to any suggestions made here. If you read my suggestions and agree or (especially) disagree I would like to hear comments. I would also like to hear your ideas for software upgrade. Too bad we cant get code (in english)for the processor to make our own code change. I think maybe Samsung processor.

I would like to see the software change so that you have to press AND HOLD the volume button in order to change the volume. As soon as you release button then you are back in tuning mode.

I would also like to see that when you go into hold mode you cannot turn the radio off. On cold mornings when I go for a walk i got may radio and my hand in the pocket and often I accidently press the power button and radio turns off.

Also I would like to be able to go into clock mode while in hold mode. If I want to see what time it is I got to get out of hold mode, go into time mode, and then back into hold mode before I put the radio back in my pocket.

I would also like to see more programming options. One in particular is the antenna selection could be under software control. I would like to be able to use an external antenna for MW rather than the internal stick antenna.

There were a few others but I forget at the moment. Please lets hear your suggestions.

73
NEO

839. Re: Extended BFO range?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-16 05:12:23 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 804 Message: 839

Thanks for the suggestions, Bob. Glad to hear from somebody with circuit analysis skills! Some comments embedded below...

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "yzordderrex2003" <yzordderrex2003@...> wrote:
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> the collector of Q17. I think the voltage is coming from Q17 rather
> than IC7. (No idea what IC7 is doing) It looks like this (emitter
> 0f Q17)comes from Q4 which comes from +3v supply.

Good bet - it should be regulated. It sure isn't obvious what the supply voltage is.

> So I can't
> imagine too much swing on the varactor to begin with as you say. I
> think W701 could be connected to any supply and you could probably
> find one that is higher than Q17.

Problem is regulation. I don't think there is a dc-dc stepup and maybe 3V is as high a linear regulator as one can safely use with 4 NiMH cells. Even 4V might not be a big enough swing.

>I wonder what is teh resistance
> of W701 so that would it be a big drain on battery if left on VDD at
> all time.

Another unspecified component...

> If you change Q17 to a small p channel mosfet you could
> probably do better voltagewise. Or just hang a discreet P channel
> whose only job is to turn W701 on. Maybe hang right off of VDD or
> use small 100ohm with 0.1uf (104p) capacitor to go into fet. (You
> don't want to modulate BFO with any noise that is existing on the
> supply.) I would think this could extend your range by way of less
> capacitance at the hight voltage.

I was thinking about switching ceramic resonators, if there is room.

> Then you could add capacitance in
> parallel with I think it is C705 - the 100pf connected directly to
> the 456kc resonator.

I don't see that the upper varactor diode of VD2 is actually dc biased. I wonder if paralleling C705 with 1kR to 10kR would

inherently extend the range at the upper freq with little/no effect at the lower.

>
> I suppose you could look for a diode with larger capacitance swing.
> The varactor used in the DE31 active antenna has a very large swing
> as I recall reading.

Maybe re-wire VD2 so that both diodes are in parallel with C705 and W701 wiper feeds the junction with U8. A smaller (or no) C705 would help the high freq while the doubling of the varactor capacitance would lower the low freq.

Whatever, this looks really fiddly and liable to be unstable if the desired range were to be achieved.

Tom

840. DEGEN DE1121 (OR KAITO 1121) JUST ARRIVED! FIRST IMPRESSIONS...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-20 02:53:59 UTC
From: daultemostaza
Topic: 840 Message: 840

First at all sorry for my poor english..I´ll try to do the best I can.
As a radio fan here in Argentina, recently I recovered my interest in shortwave radios; in that way, I discovered the Degen radios thru Ebay. I started buying the DE1103, and then the DE1105 and DE11. After that, was the time for the awaited DE1121! I bought it from a Gentleman seller from China (Mr. Tao Qu) TQUCHINA (I recommend strongly to buy from this Seller, he is serious and has excellent communications and service!)and he sent me the radio thru EMS and arrived in a surprising 5 days! Let`s talk about the radio. I am a little bit disappointed. Starting with the body, it is the same size as the 1103 but lighter; I had to double check to see if the batteries were inside the radio, because it is very very light compared with the 1103. The body of the radio is black rubberized (and I don´t like that, because I had a bad experience with my Tivoli Pal which is rubberized too and peel the rubber off after a couple of months of use!). Keys are not back lighted at all as in the 1103. The radio itself has two displays, one main display (which is the MP3 Unit display) and a sub mini display. Starting with the sub mini display, It has not backlight at all (?) and also it is extremely small, and except by the hour, the information (icons) on it are unreadable for the human eye (you should use a microscope to see the icons clearly). Talking about the radio part itself, the main radio display (which is at the same time the MP3 display) is tiny, but not so bad as the sub display, with green led illumination. Also has a simulated analog dial for the radio (nice!) Memories can be labelled using the pc editing a .txt file and transfering it to the radio after that. The AM Broadcast and FM performance is similar to the 1103, but I found (my personal taste) that the speaker of the 1103 has more pleasant sound in FM than the 1121. The most disappointing thing I found in couple of days of partial, short use of the DE1121 is it shows a lot of spurious and/or ghost images over a big part of the shortwave spectrum! I don't know if it is a fault of my unit, but I guess no. I checked it against my 1103 and there are a big difference, no images on 1103! A less elaborate radio section? maybe. Reception once tuned is not bad, audio is not bad, but I need to use the DE1121 more maybe next weekend to have a more deep opinion, but the images are notorious with first use. Talking about the MP3, it is a little bit slow when you go from one file to another (I have a Pogo! RYW AM FM MP3 Portable) and it is by far more responsive handling files. Another big dissapointment was the MP3 memory cannot be upgrade; it is a 256MB Flash memory and no card slots available. I suspect that from the begining, but I had some hope that a slot could be there...no

luck. The recording section is great, you can record radio in 32KBPS with very good sound, but no single button recording; You need to enter the radio main menu, select recording and ...so no rush recordings! In the Pogo! just press the red button and voila!
Fina feelings from this firs impressions...As dedicated radio, I choose by far the 1103 over the 1121. But, if you are like me, a radio maniac and want it all, it is not a bad adition to your collection...specially for the price you can get it from China. The Kaito's price advertised seems to me a lot of money for what you get. I can give you more information if you want, so ask me! Again, sorry for my english, but is better than babelfish traslator! Pablo

841. Re: DEGEN DE1121 (OR KAITO 1121) JUST ARRIVED! FIRST IMPRESSIONS...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-20 05:53:59 UTC
From: 3CX100A5
Topic: 840 Message: 841

Hi Pablo,

Thanks for an excellent first impressions report on the 1121.
Although it sounds a nice RX, your report has confirmed that I made
the right decision in getting 2 DE1103s (one to use, the other to
modify) for Christmas!
I look forward to your next report after more time using the DE1121.

73, John.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "daultemostaza" <daultemostaza@...>
wrote:
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> communications and service!)and he sent me the radio thru EMS and
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> little bit disappointed. Starting with the body, it is the same
size
> as the 1103 but lighter; I had to double check to see if the
> batteries were inside the radio, because it is very very light
> compared with the 1103. The body of the radio is black rubberized
> (and I don´t like that, because I had a bad experience with my
> Tivoli Pal which is rubberized too and peel the rubber off after a
> couple of months of use!). Keys are not back lighted at all as in
> the 1103. The radio itself has two displays, one main display
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> tiny, but not so bad as the sub display, with green led

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the
> 1121. The most disappointing thing I found in couple of days of
> partial, short use of the DE1121 is it shows a lot of spurious
> and/or ghost images over a big part of the shortwave spectrum! I
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> 256MB Flash memory and no card slots available. I suspect that
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> luck. The recording section is great, you can record radio in
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> choose by far the 1103 over the 1121. But, if you are like me, a
> radio maniac and want it all, it is not a bad adition to your
> collection...specially for the price you can get it from China.
The
> Kaito's price advertised seems to me a lot of money for what you
> get. I can give you more information if you want, so ask me!
Again,
> sorry for my english, but is better than babelfish traslator! Pablo
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842. Re: [de1103] DEGEN DE1121 (OR KAITO 1121) JUST ARRIVED! FIRST IMPRESSIONS...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-20 15:41:42 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 840 Message: 842

Hi Pablo,
excellent review, and perhaps a caveat for those too anxious to get one of those receivers!

It is a general rule that a combo will be hardly better (or even equal) than the sum of the standalone units. Surely there must exist some tradeoff from the commercial point of view in order to keep the price low enough.

What keeps surprising me is how manufacturers manage to make their products even lighter. The DE 1103 must weigh perhaps one half as much as my old and faithful Sony ICF-7600DS which is only a bit bigger. Unfortunately less weight often means a poorer speaker, less plastic and a flimsy product. I doubt that these new products would survive falling to the floor several times as indeed my old Sony has. The problem is that in this category of receivers there is almost nothing not coming from China.

73,
Moisés Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

At 23:53 19/12/2006, you wrote:

>First at all sorry for my poor english..I´ll try to do the best I
>can.
>As a radio fan here in Argentina, recently I recovered my interest
>in shortwave radios; in that way, I discovered the Degen radios thru
>Ebay. I started buying the DE1103, and then the DE1105 and DE11.
>After that, was the time for the awaited DE1121! I bought it from a
>Gentleman seller from China (Mr. Tao Qu) TQUCHINA (I recommend
>strongly to buy from this Seller, he is serious and has excellent
>communications and service!)and he sent me the radio thru EMS and
>arrived in a surprising 5 days! Let`s talk about the radio. I am a
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>it are unreadable for the human eye (you should use a microscope to

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>main radio display (which is at the same time the MP3 display) is
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843. Re: DEGEN DE1121 (OR KAITO 1121) JUST ARRIVED! FIRST IMPRESSIONS...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-20 17:22:19 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 840 Message: 843

Pablo, thanks for a very readable and informative report. I posted a link to it on rec.radio.shortwave as it is the first user report I am aware of.

I have a couple of questions:

1. If you connect an external antenna located far from the radio via coaxial cable, are the birdies and "spurious and/or ghost images" any better? If so, the problem is with coupling from the receiver circuitry to the on-board antenna and might be mitigated by shielding modifications similar to those for the DE1103.

2. Are the birdies and "spurious and/or ghost images" any better with the MP3 recorder removed far from the radio and antenna and shut off?

3. How is SSB reception? Does the Fine Tuning range extend to +/-2 or 3 kHz?

73, Tom VE3MEO

844. Re: DEGEN DE1121 (OR KAITO 1121) JUST ARRIVED! FIRST IMPRESSIONS...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-21 12:04:04 UTC
From: daultemostaza
Topic: 840 Message: 844

Thanks Folks for your kind comments in my humble post!
The ghost images (major from strong AM and also FM local stations) are still present even taking the MP3 unit off from the main radio body. I have no external outside antenna right now, so I am not able to check if the problem remains with that kind of antenna, with coax cable. I also check reception with the wire that cames with the radio, and with a amplified indoor whip antenna (a sony brand) and things gets worst in some parts of the SW band. Maybe next weekend I will be able to do a mini dipole so some more deep analysis could be done, but first hand I could say that the problems is based on a shield issue. Performance in SSB is not bad, very similar to the DE1103, but I cannot tell you the SSB clarifier offset (I didn't see it noted on the owners manual). I bought the DE1121 mainly for listen podcasts and some recordings on the go. That was the real plus that move me to buy this new model. I have a DE1105, DE11 and DE1103 and again, I can say nothing beats the DE1103 as a portable for the radio listening. Let me say if you can buy it direct from China sellers (I strongly recommend TQCHINA as I told in my first post) it is a not bad unit to experiment on it and the MP3 capability is a nice adition, but I refuse to pay what KAITO are asking for the unit in the United States. I like the idea of have a SW Digital Radio Recorder in such small size but I would like it with a slot so you can throw a card (SD CF etc) but not possible with the DE1121 which is stuck to 256MB internal Flash Memory. I think in a short time a DE1121 group will be born, and there is a lot of material to discuss about. If you want to know any other aspect of the radio, don´t hesitate to ask me :) Pablo.

845. New TG35 ACTIVE ANTENNA

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-21 21:31:07 UTC
From: Uwe Schubert
Topic: 845 Message: 845

Has anyone ordered or even tried the "TG35 SOLAR RECHARGE INDOOR SW / MW / LW ACTIVE ANTENNA" offered by tquchina on ebay?

http://cgi.ebay.com/TG35-SOLAR-RECHARGE-INDOOR-SW-MW-LW-ACTIVE-ANTENNA_W0QQitemZ140065563440QQihZ004QQcategoryZ15051QQcmdZViewItem

Looks very interesting!
Should be better than a DE31/TG34, but a comparison would be very welcome!

Thank you for your answers!

846. RE: [de1103] New TG35 ACTIVE ANTENNA

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-22 00:05:37 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 845 Message: 846

I ordered it and will let you all know something!

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Uwe Schubert
Sent: Thursday, December 21, 2006 4:31 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] New TG35 ACTIVE ANTENNA

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MW / LW ACTIVE ANTENNA" offered by tquchina on ebay?

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Looks very interesting!
Should be better than a DE31/TG34, but a comparison would be very welcome!

Thank you for your answers!

847. Re: DEGEN DE1121 (OR KAITO 1121) JUST ARRIVED! FIRST IMPRESSIONS...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-22 01:48:51 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 840 Message: 847

Thanks for the update, Pablo.

I should have narrowed my question to exclude "ghost images", and include only "birdies and spurious" signals. Images due to the heterodyne principle are to be expected to some degree, independent of the digital electronics. I was really asking about interference from the receiver's own digital electronics and that of the MP3 recorder. This might sound like hash or cyclic patterns, not like an audio program.

A simple test of the SSB Clarifier offset is to tune to a known carrier of accurate frequency, e.g., WWV or any good broadcast station, in AM mode - set the receiver frequency to the transmitter freq. Switch to SSB mode and rotate the clarifier to its extremes, measuring the frequency of the carrier's audio heterodyne or beat note at these points. You could measure by playing a known instrument (e.g. a tuned piano or calibrated audio oscillator) near the same pitch, by feeding to your computer sound card and measuring with spectrum analyser software (e.g., Oscillometer, CleverScope, VisualAnalyser, Spectran, Spectrum Laborarory), or you could record it to a sound file and send it to me and I'll measure it. ;-)

73, Tom VE3MEO

848. Re: DEGEN DE1121 (OR KAITO 1121) JUST ARRIVED! FIRST IMPRESSIONS...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-22 19:17:45 UTC
From: daultemostaza
Topic: 840 Message: 848

Tom: Regarding the first issue, I can only report ghost images from local stations, not birdies or spurious signals detected so far (at least not ones too evident). About the SSB clarifier offset, I promess you when I have some time I gonna send you a recording of the tunning so you can be able to analize it. By the way, day after day I have encountered new "lacks" of the DE1121, one very remarkable is no way to schedule unatended radio recordings (?)..I consider it a major flaw, because it is supposed that somebody wants to do unatended recordings while is not at home, taking advantage of the digital recorded included in the radio. (my loved POGO RYW LX does that job flawlessly, letting me to hear some radio shows when I come back to home after work). Regards. Pablo

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In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tom Holden VE3MEO" <holden_family@...>
wrote:
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> include only "birdies and spurious" signals. Images due to the
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> of the digital electronics. I was really asking about interference
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> 73, Tom VE3MEO
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849. Re: DEGEN DE1121 (OR KAITO 1121) JUST ARRIVED! FIRST IMPRESSIONS...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-22 23:50:12 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 840 Message: 849

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "daultemostaza" <daultemostaza@...>
wrote:
> By the way, day after day I
> have encountered new "lacks" of the DE1121, one very remarkable is no
> way to schedule unatended radio recordings (?)..I consider it a major
> flaw, because it is supposed that somebody wants to do unatended
> recordings while is not at home, taking advantage of the digital
> recorded included in the radio.

I read that the 3 alarm timers can be independently set to unique
frequencies and that there are associated recording durations if you
want a recording to start at the alarm time.

Tom

850. New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-23 11:13:04 UTC
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343 Message: 850

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Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the de1103
group.

File : /CWFILTR.GIF
Uploaded by : krysatec <krysatec@...>
Description : My old CW filter - you can change Q and f

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/CWFILTR.GIF

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/files

Regards,

krysatec <krysatec@...>
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851. speaker grill Question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-24 07:50:29 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 851 Message: 851

I think the holes in the speaker grill are too small amd may be restricting the sound. Does anyone here know about these things and can comment?

73
NEO

852. Re: [de1103] speaker grill Question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-24 08:42:04 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 851 Message: 852

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----- Original Message -----
From: "yzordderrex2003" <yzordderrex2003@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 24, 2006 7:50 AM
Subject: [de1103] speaker grill Question

>I think the holes in the speaker grill are too small amd may be
> restricting the sound. Does anyone here know about these things and
> can comment?

The effect will be negligible, given the volume of air that has to be moved.

Leon
--
Leon Heller, G1HSM
Suzuki SV1000S motorcycle
leon355@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller
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853. Re: tuning problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-24 18:11:12 UTC
From: Steve Payne
Topic: 805 Message: 853

Joshua: Can you elaborate on the encoder problem here. I have just recently noticed that I experience the same tuning issue that Leon described, almost exactly, but as said just started within last couple of weeks. I bought my Kaito 1103 two years ago, Jan 2005. And, just like Leon, after a bit of time the issue goes away. It does seem to be related to "cold." thanks for any clarification.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
>
> How old is it? The older ones have an encoder problem!
>
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On
Behalf Of
> llevitis
> Sent: Friday, December 08, 2006 9:41 AM
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [de1103] tuning problem
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>
> Hello to all.
> I recently noticed that on a cold day the tuning system of ka1103 is
> all messed up. when I try to tune using the tuning wheel the display
> will show frequencies going from low to high even when I scroll to
> lower frequencies. After the radio has been on for a while (30-40min)
> it begins to operate normaly.
> Any comments on how to fix this problem are appreciated.
>
> Thank you all,
> Leon
>

854. Re: speaker grill Question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-24 23:00:37 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 851 Message: 854

Ok, thanks Leon.

The only reason I brought it up was because my boss had a finger guard for a muffin fan that he had designed with drilled holes - like the Degen speaker grill. I told him to change to the normal wire ring and he was amazed at airflow. It was of course due to turbulance. On a small speaker I guess you wouldn't be pushing so much air - or have so much turbulance.

Speaker still sounds like crap though. I had difficulty listening to football game on the radio. I am searching for a better speaker.

73
NEO

PS. Black 03 anniversary softail here and the WX has been unbelievably warm - many bikes out on Christmas Eve here in Boston area.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@...>
wrote:
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "yzordderrex2003" <yzordderrex2003@...>
> To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Sunday, December 24, 2006 7:50 AM
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> > can comment?
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855. Re: speaker grill Question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-24 23:00:15 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 851 Message: 855

Ok, thanks Leon.

The only reason I brought it up was because my boss had a finger guard for a muffin fan that he had designed with drilled holes - like the Degen speaker grill. I told him to change to the normal wire ring and he was amazed at airflow. It was of course due to turbulance. On a small speaker I guess you wouldn't be pushing so much air - or have so much turbulance.

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> From: "yzordderrex2003" <yzordderrex2003@...>
> To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Sunday, December 24, 2006 7:50 AM
> Subject: [de1103] speaker grill Question
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856. Re: [de1103] Re: speaker grill Question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-25 01:11:38 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 851 Message: 856

----- Original Message -----
From: "yzordderrex2003" <yzordderrex2003@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 24, 2006 11:00 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: speaker grill Question

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> Ok, thanks Leon.
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> The only reason I brought it up was because my boss had a finger
> guard for a muffin fan that he had designed with drilled holes -
> like the Degen speaker grill. I told him to change to the normal
> wire ring and he was amazed at airflow. It was of course due to
> turbulance. On a small speaker I guess you wouldn't be pushing so
> much air - or have so much turbulance.
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> Speaker still sounds like crap though. I had difficulty listening
> to football game on the radio. I am searching for a better speaker.

Mine sounds pretty good, it's more likely to be a fault with the amplifier.
I think that Degen has rather poor QC, and some duff radios have got out.

Leon

857. Re: speaker grill Question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-25 02:24:23 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 851 Message: 857

I think restricted air flow is necessary to emphasize certain freq. --
- the whole radio case served as an audio resonating chamber. Take
the DE1103 "guts" out from its case and compare the outcomes. (in
order to creat a 100% none restricted "airflows")

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "yzordderrex2003"
<yzordderrex2003@...> wrote:
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> Ok, thanks Leon.
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> The only reason I brought it up was because my boss had a finger
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> like the Degen speaker grill. I told him to change to the normal
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> 73
> NEO
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> PS. Black 03 anniversary softail here and the WX has been
> unbelievably warm - many bikes out on Christmas Eve here in Boston
> area.
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@>
> wrote:
> >
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: "yzordderrex2003" <yzordderrex2003@>
> > To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> > Sent: Sunday, December 24, 2006 7:50 AM
> > Subject: [de1103] speaker grill Question
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858. Re: [de1103] Re: speaker grill Question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-25 09:11:44 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 851 Message: 858

----- Original Message -----
From: "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, December 25, 2006 2:24 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: speaker grill Question

>I think restricted air flow is necessary to emphasize certain freq. --
> - the whole radio case served as an audio resonating chamber. Take
> the DE1103 "guts" out from its case and compare the outcomes. (in
> order to creat a 100% none restricted "airflows")

It's not that so much as the requirement for a speaker to be mounted on a baffle or on a sealed enclosure, to prevent the sound waves from one side of the cone interfering with those from the other side. That's the reason why speakers without some form of enclosure don't sound right.

Leon

859. Attenuator

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-25 09:12:09 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 859 Message: 859

Hi all,

I tested simple attenuator with variable resistor 2k5 and two diodes with my Degen and mini whip antenna and it work very good!

Here is also other good idea: you can use box with more connectors for antennas: jack, cinch, PL, IEC...

Regards, Jara Rat

860. Re: DEGEN DE1121 (OR KAITO 1121) JUST ARRIVED! FIRST IMPRESSIONS...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-25 06:21:14 UTC
From: hansstm
Topic: 840 Message: 860

Hello all..

This week I have bought a Siebel Edition DE 1121
The first impression was very good. This is an excellent receiver!
Very sensitive, on all bands, have listened to many stations. Clear
and quiet sound,was very impressed, compared the results with my
Kenwood R5000. I did also a test on the amateur bands, great! Many
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If not it would be nice to have one..!
For reactions you can write in this group or send me an email:
hansstam@...
Regards
Hans

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861. Re: [de1103] Re: speaker grill Question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-25 14:50:54 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 851 Message: 861

From the beginning I was not satisfied with the sound of my recently purchased DE1103, however I don't think there's anything wrong about it, it's just a poor loudspeaker and lack of accoustic design. It sounds like... a chinese radio. I have also read somewhere that Degen used small-value capacitors in some critical points of the audio circuit, thus decreasing the bass response. They may have chosen to do that, as have been suggested, to save a few cents, or to hide some kind of low frequency distortion. But you can't have it all for 50 bucks. The receiver sounds pretty good through the earbuds or through amplified external speakers.

Grundig [the true one] is no longer in the radio business, I doubt we will ever find again a portable receiver combining world band coverage, good sensitivity, aceptable selectivity, AND excellent sound.

Perhaps the 1103 could be enhanced just a little by changing the loudspeaker, provided you can find a good one that fits the case, but don't expect Hi Fi from a 3-inch speaker. This is a pocket radio. And a very good one.

73 + Season's Greetings
Moisés Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

At 06:11 25/12/06, you wrote:

>----- Original Message -----
>From: "knyuen88" <<mailto:knyuen88%40yahoo.com>knyuen88@yahoo.com>
>To: <<mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com>de1103@yahoogroups.com>
>Sent: Monday, December 25, 2006 2:24 AM
>Subject: [de1103] Re: speaker grill Question
>
> >I think restricted air flow is necessary to emphasize certain freq. --
> > - the whole radio case served as an audio resonating chamber. Take
> > the DE1103 "guts" out from its case and compare the outcomes. (in
> > order to creat a 100% none restricted "airflows")
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>It's not that so much as the requirement for a speaker to be mounted on a
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862. Re: [de1103] Re: DEGEN DE1121 (OR KAITO 1121) JUST ARRIVED! FIRST IMPRESSIONS...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-25 15:00:16 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn)
Topic: 840 Message: 862

Merry Christmas everyone...

P.S. My Degen 1103 still works good with the Yaesu FRT-7700 tuner and outside 50 ft random wire after two months!!
Great to be with this group..!

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: hansstm
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, December 25, 2006 1:21 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: DEGEN DE1121 (OR KAITO 1121) JUST ARRIVED! FIRST IMPRESSIONS...

Hello all..

This week I have bought a Siebel Edition DE 1121
The first impression was very good. This is an excellent receiver!
Very sensitive, on all bands, have listened to many stations. Clear
and quiet sound,was very impressed, compared the results with my
Kenwood R5000. I did also a test on the amateur bands, great! Many
hams on the 80 meter band, 3.600 and up. I use a longwire, 10 meters,
with a magnetic balun connected with the wire.
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863. Kaito 1103 Dies on me!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-25 15:25:27 UTC
From: epsilon2675
Topic: 863 Message: 863

Hi,
I've had my radio for about a month now, and it worked just fine. Yesterday I turned it on and- no AM or SW!!! FM is fine. I tried reset but nothing happens oother than the radio shutting down and starting up on FM. I've taken out the batteries and put them back. I've tried running it off ac. I've tried with an active antenna and without. The radio was fine when I turned it off the night before.

Any ideas about what went wrong?? Thank you, Tom

864. Re: speaker grill Question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-25 15:30:00 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 851 Message: 864

However if you simply take the speaker out alone (i.e. in free space ---
no way to interfer the cone from the other side.), as you said
" ... without some form of enclosure don't sound right. "
Nevertheless that was what I experienced when replacing my car's
speakers last year ---- Low freq.response and overall outputs/loudless
dropped noticably but returned normal when reinstalled back to their
original enclosures. Any idea?

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> baffle or on a sealed enclosure, to prevent the sound waves from one
side of
> the cone interfering with those from the other side. That's the
reason why
> speakers without some form of enclosure don't sound right.
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> Leon
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865. Maybe interesting for you...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-25 19:14:29 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 865 Message: 865

Hi all,

I use only two modifications in my De1103. 1/ output with signal for external RDS decoder and 2/ tuning from 15kHz from setting memory.

And here is one very interesting thing, which I dont know with other receiver. If you tune (by knob) from 15kHz up, feritte antene and also her preamlifier is off. But you can use telescopic antenna!!! Antenna use FET preamlifier and work as "mini whip antenna!"

I can heard for instance time stations 60kHz and 77.5kHz, and Non directional beacons or many stations at LW or MW band too!

Some NDBs I heard better with telescope than with feritte!

regards, Jara Rat

866. Re: Fw: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-25 19:47:09 UTC
From: hansstm
Topic: 806 Message: 866

Hello..

you can record radio programs in mp3 format, stereo, 32, 80 and 128 kbps
You can record external sources in mp3 through the line-in, also 32, 80 etc.
And you can record in wav, 32 and mono with the built-in microphone.

32 kbps is ok for voice recordings, 80 or 128 for ukw recordings
If you record with 128k you can record 4.55 hours
if you record with 80 k, you can record more than 7 hours and if you record with 32 (radio records) you can record 18 hours..

Hans

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "beaver8899" <beaver8899@...> wrote:
>
> Many MP3 players have their own FM tuners, so maybe recording FM is
> based on this.
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "wgmartin999" <wgmartin999@> wrote:
> >
> > Certainly an interesting-looking unit! Perhaps some of
> > you who have studied this ad more closely could answer
> > this: It seemed to me that the description said that
> > the MP3 recorder would record from FM or microphone,
> > but there was no mention of it recording from AM (MW) or SW.
> > Surely if it recorded from one type of radio reception,
> > it would record from all? So could this record SW
> > programs? Can you set this for unattended timer recording?
> > And how long can the MP3 unit record (1 hour, 2 hours, more)?
> >
> > Will
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867. Re: Kaito 1103 Dies on me!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-25 23:02:38 UTC
From: Sanjaya
Topic: 863 Message: 867

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868. Re: Kaito 1103 Dies on me!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-26 01:27:10 UTC
From: epsilon2675
Topic: 863 Message: 868

Hello Sanjaya,

Thank you for the tip. I tried it , but alas, it did not remedy the problem. I hear white noise on the AM-SW bands, but no signal... I will try Kaito in the morning, and thank you for that info as well,. Very kind of you,.
Tom

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Sanjaya" <sanjaya_49@...> wrote:
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869. Re: Kaito 1103 Dies on me!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-26 04:49:02 UTC
From: bigal43065
Topic: 863 Message: 869

Sanjaya,

Sounds like a battery power problem to me. Have you tried plugging in the AC power supply?

Al

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "epsilon2675" <epsilon2675@...> wrote:
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870. Re: [de1103] Re: Kaito 1103 Dies on me!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-26 10:21:51 UTC
From: Lidael
Topic: 863 Message: 870

I had the same problem.
Transistors 2sk2394 YJ-7 has burned.
So you need to replace them.

--- bigal43065 <aallen@...> wrote:

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871. Re: Kaito 1103 Dies on me!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-26 23:39:31 UTC
From: epsilon2675
Topic: 863 Message: 871

Hi Al,
Tried it with the AC. KaitoUSA told me to send it back and they will
replace/repair it.
Tom

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "bigal43065" <aallen@...> wrote:
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872. Re: Kaito 1103 Dies on me!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-26 23:42:00 UTC
From: epsilon2675
Topic: 863 Message: 872

Hello Lidael,

DO you know what caused them to burn? Overloaded front end?
Thanks,
Tom

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Lidael <lidael@...> wrote:
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873. Re: speaker grill Question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-27 04:18:39 UTC
From: Phil Pasteur
Topic: 851 Message: 873

I have had my 1103 for over a year. The initial radios had some known problems. Mine had a really nasty sound to it for any kind of listening. I bought a Sony 7600GR at the same time that I purchased the 1103. I could not believe how bad the 1103 sounded beside the Sony. It was really bad!

I found out that, at that time, a few resistors that were being used in some of the radios caused distortion in the audio stage.
I followed the instructions that (sorry if I am off on the name) Gary provided in his fix. I also bought the replacement caps from KIWA, and their diode anti static mod for the internal antenna (this having nothing to do with audio, obviously).

I installed the proper resistors and the KIWA mods which provided the audio amp with the proper resistances and capacitances (likely the KIWA mods are a bit of overkill, providing AUDIOPHILE level components). In any case ...I think that it cost about $18.00 including shipping for the parts.

I immediately noticed a huge improvement in the audio after the installation. My lady friend, who had told me how crappy the 1103 sounded... The next time I fired it up when she was here... she asked me "what did you do to that thing". She was the one I gave the 7600 GR to. A few weeks later she brought it over. It was now very clear that the 1103 sounded much better. !!

So, it is my thought that the speaker itself is not the root cause of the sound quality issues with the 1103. There may be units that have bad speakers, but if they still have the speakers that I got with mine installed,
Well, if the electronics are putting the proper signal to the speaker, it is adequate to provide surprisingly good sound out of a pocket radio. Better than the 7600GR and better than my Sony 2010. Also as good or better than my Sangean ATS909 too. Not nearly as good as my E1, but ...what can you expect???

Now you might ask, what does "sound better" mean to me.
?

Better for SWL means intelligibility. The little speaker cannot have as much low frequency response as larger ones. But when the electronics are delivering the right stuff to it, it can be very clean and clear. It can, and does, give me a listening experience that does not make me tired from listening for long hours, and it does produce a response that makes it easy for me to understand speech in some difficult conditions. This it does very well! (most especially for its size and price)

Don't take me wrong, it can never be a Hi Fidelity music reproducer through the internal speaker (though it is not too bad on FM with earbuds or using

the line out). Mine is not, but it is a small radio that allows me to understand speech well and is not tiring to listen to!

If your speaker is known to be good, getting the right parts and spending a couple of hours getting close to your 1103 might just get you where you want to be.

Phil P.

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874. Re: DEGEN DE1121 (OR KAITO 1121) JUST ARRIVED! FIRST IMPRESSIONS...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-27 05:36:58 UTC
From: yrag4931
Topic: 840 Message: 874

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "daultemostaza" <daultemostaza@...> wrote:
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> Thanks Folks for your kind comments in my humble post!
> The ghost images (major from strong AM and also FM local stations)
> are still present even taking the MP3 unit off from the main radio
> body. I have no external outside antenna right now, so I am not able
> to check if the problem remains with that kind of antenna, with coax
> cable. I also check reception with the wire that cames with the
> radio, and with a amplified indoor whip antenna (a sony brand) and
> things gets worst in some parts of the SW band. Maybe next weekend I
> will be able to do a mini dipole so some more deep analysis could be
> done, but first hand I could say that the problems is based on a
> shield issue. Performance in SSB is not bad, very similar to the
> DE1103, but I cannot tell you the SSB clarifier offset (I didn't see
> it noted on the owners manual). I bought the DE1121 mainly for
> listen podcasts and some recordings on the go. That was the real
> plus that move me to buy this new model. I have a DE1105, DE11 and
> DE1103 and again, I can say nothing beats the DE1103 as a portable
> for the radio listening. Let me say if you can buy it direct from
> China sellers (I strongly recommend TQCHINA as I told in my first
> post) it is a not bad unit to experiment on it and the MP3
> capability is a nice adition, but I refuse to pay what KAITO are
> asking for the unit in the United States. I like the idea of have a
> SW Digital Radio Recorder in such small size but I would like it
> with a slot so you can throw a card (SD CF etc) but not possible
> with the DE1121 which is stuck to 256MB internal Flash Memory. I
> think in a short time a DE1121 group will be born, and there is a
> lot of material to discuss about. If you want to know any other
> aspect of the radio, don´t hesitate to ask me :) Pablo.
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Pablo,I salute you.It sounds like you have been able to actually use
the 1121.I've had mine for about a week and just got around to fooling
around with it today.After two hours I finally got the clock set to
the correct time,but I don't know how I did it!This thing is
incredibly complicated.Now surely the group thinks I'm a moron and
technically challenged.Such is not the case.The timer settings to
record are impossibly difficult.I'm planning on using the unit as an
mp3 player with a speaker and radio.But no timer recording.I'll
continue to use my Pogo RadioYourWay LX for recording.The manual for
the 1121 is poorly written and no fault of the translator,and I think
the device itself is poorly designed.Bottom line,I would wait for a
second generation unit or at least an improved version of the current
model.If anyone in the group buys an 1121,be advised the manual does

not tell how to remove the mp3 from the radio.There is a flat button on the back labeled Open(mp3).There's no indicator to tell you what to do.Slide up,down,left,right?Push?Pull?The secret answer is-----
push in very hard.It won't break or at least mine didn't.This pops the mp3 up about three sixteenths of an inch,and nimble fingers can barely grasp it and pull it up and out of the radio body.Hope this helps somebody.I was soooooo sure I would break something.

875. Re: [de1103] Re: speaker grill Question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-27 06:32:53 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 851 Message: 875

----- Original Message -----
From: "Phil Pasteur" <ppasteur@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 27, 2006 4:18 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: speaker grill Question

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876. Re: [de1103] Re: Fw: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-13 14:18:34 UTC
From: C.L.B.
Topic: 806 Message: 876

Based on what we will actually be able to hear with stations shutting
down every year, and the price difference, I still think the DE-1121
is a better value than the E1XM. Then I can take the extra $100.00
and buy one of those excellent boom box external speakers for shortwave.

My Degen 1103 is still picking up stations in Europe clearly,during
the middle of the day off the whip which my Sony 2010 attached to a
50Ft Scantenna on the roof doesn't even hear.
That is really awesome to me.

I'm going to be buying a radio in the $500.00 range soon, but it will
likely be the ICOM-R75, and not the portable E1.

If money is no issue, buy them all! :-)

All the best
CB

At 03:57 PM 12/12/2006, you wrote:

>Surely you jest! The e1xm has almost everything a top of the line
>tabletop has. Are you telling me a radio that is that small with no
>passband tuning, filter choices or a sync detector is better than a
>500.00 e1xm?? I don't think so. While I to have one on my wish list,
>it in no way compares to the e1. That is the best portable around and
>will be for sometime to come.
>73,
>Harry
>K9HDT
>
>--- In <mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com>de1103@yahoogroups.com,
>"C.L.B." <clydebenson@...> wrote:
> >
> > Here is a full size picture of the radio. The price is where I had
> > hoped it would be. I'm very interested in purchasing this ASAP
>based
> > on the astounding performance of my Degen 1103.
> >
> > I believe this 1121, will probably equal, or surpass the Eton top
>of
> > the line radio.
> >
> > Let's get it!
> >
> >
> >

> > At 08:18 PM 12/09/2006, you wrote:
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> > ><<http://cgi.ebay.com/DE1121-DIGITAL-PLL-FM-MW-LW-SW-SSB-MP3->htt
> p://cgi.ebay.com/DE1121-DIGITAL-PLL-FM-MW-LW-SW-SSB-MP3-
>RADIO_W0QQitemZ140063016123QQihZ004QQcategoryZ15051QQcmdZViewItem?
>hash=item140063016123><http://cgi.ebay.com/DE1121-DIGITAL-PLL-FM-MW-LW->http://cgi.ebay.c
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>SW-SSB-MP3-
>RADIO_W0QQitemZ140063016123QQihZ004QQcategoryZ15051QQcmdZViewItem?
>hash=item140063016123
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> > >-----Original Message-----
> > >From: <mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com>de1103@yahoogroups.com
> [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On
> > >Behalf Of war4prez2002
> > >Sent: Saturday, December 09, 2006 4:53 PM
> > >To: <mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com>de1103@yahoogroups.com
> > >Subject: [de1103] Re: Fw: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com
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> > >Apparently this is getting a bit confusing because I was searching
> > >under kaito and degen to nothing found. typed in 1121 and this
>didn't
> > >come up. It must be the way how ebay does their searches. Needless
>to
> > >say however there's a HUGE difference in price (3x if not more)
> > >between the german one and the chinese one...
> > >
> > > > No, I count 26 currently available on ebay, all from seller
> > >tquchina,
> > > > plus US$24 shipping.
> > > >
> > > > Joshua says weatherband not included on model from China but is
>on
> > >the
> > > > Kaito model for North America.
> > > >
> > > > The European model from Thieking and Koch has something
>different,
> > >too,
> > > > I believe:
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> > >
><<http://www.thiecom.de/thieking/de1121/index.htm>http://www.thiecom.de/thieking/de1121/i
ndex.htm>http://www.thiecom.de
>/thieking/de1121/index.htm

> > > in German
> > > > English translation:
> > > >
> > >
> <<http://translate.google.com/translate?u=http%3A%2F%>http://translate.google.com/transl
ate?u=http%3A%2F%
>2Fwww.thiecom.de%25><http://translate.google.com/translate?u=http%3A%>http://translate.go
ogle.com/translate?u=http%3A%
>2F%2Fwww.thiecom.de%
> > > > 2Fthieking%2Fde1121%2Findex.htm&langpair=de%7Cen&hl=en&ie=UTF-
> > >8&oe=UTF-
> > > > 8&prev=%2Flanguage_tools
> > > > Most obvious is no gap coverage from 50kHz to 30MHz.
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> > > > > I wonder if you could combine it with the alarm...in other
>words
> > >make
> > > > > it like a tivo or time tracker for radio...there's plenty of
> > >content
> > > > > on air when I'm asleep or at work....
> > > >
> > > > Clear indication of that on the thiecom site but limited to
>three
> > > > alarms.
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> > until 2359 on:
> > www.1230thebuzz.com
> >
> > <http://www.telebay.com/7777>http://www.telebay.com/7777
> >
> > http://theblogpicture.blogspot.com/
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877. Re: [de1103] Re: Kaito 1103 Dies on me!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-27 06:59:34 UTC
From: Lidael
Topic: 863 Message: 877

Static, I guess.

--- epsilon2675 <epsilon2675@...> wrote:

> Hello Lidael,
>
> DO you know what caused them to burn? Overloaded
> front end?
> Thanks,
> Tom
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Lidael <lidael@...>
> wrote:
> >
> > I had the same problem.
> > Transistors 2sk2394 YJ-7 has burned.
> > So you need to replace them.
> >
> > --- bigal43065 <aallen@...> wrote:
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> > > Sanjaya,
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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878. Re: speaker grill Question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-27 14:23:36 UTC
From: Phil Pasteur
Topic: 851 Message: 878

Leon,

What KIWA has done is to take the engineering drawing for the audio pre/power amp and provide the parts that provide the recommended values. Degen did not do this. Whether this was by design to tailor response, or simply to save a few pennies on each part, I do not know. In addition the parts from Kiwa are audiophile type parts that you might find in multi thousand dollar type high end audio gear. Admittedly this is very likely overkill in this application. That being said, if you like the way your 1103 sounds now, I would wager big bucks that you would really be impressed to listen to it with the Kiwa parts installed.

Granted part of my audio problem was due to some resistors that had the wrong values causing the audio section to distort. Getting rid of that distortion made up a significant part of the improvement in my radio. I also understand that this problem was fixed in later production runs (and not all early radios experienced it either). But there was a significant change in the character of the sound from the Kiwa parts as well. It is fuller and smoother and just more pleasant to listen to for extended periods. BTW, I have listened to several un-modified 1103s and the difference is significant. I would recommend the mod to anyone looking for that little extra bit of sound quality and who has some patience and is reasonably good with a soldering pencil.

Phil P.

2b. Re: speaker grill Question
From: Leon Heller

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879. Re: speaker grill Question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-27 14:46:33 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 851 Message: 879

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more how you did such modifications against those delicate SMC parts.
(I never successed to remove any SMC parts --- Despite the fact that
that never tried in the DE1103 yet!)
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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon Heller" <leon.heller@...> wrote:
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> Subject: [de1103] Re: speaker grill Question
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880. Re: Fw: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-27 22:10:10 UTC
From: Harry Taylor
Topic: 806 Message: 880

While I understand your happiness with the 1121, remember you get what you pay for. If you are going to spend 79.00 for a radio you are going to get a 79.00 radio. The moment you have to send it back to China for repair your bargain went right out the door. Why buy an external speaker which only adds to the cost when you can get that quality right out of the box.
Yes the shortwave world is rapidly vanishing. It's really sad that the VOA, BBC and others are gone, with Japan to follow later in 07 English and other languages are soon going to be gone. The vast wasteland of shortwave will be left to the religious right. But they are smart, they still realize the importance of shortwave to reach worldwide audiences. Okay off the soapbox.
If you by the R75 better plan on external speaker with it, the speaker is awful in it. If I were you and I'm not so it's only an opinion, I would find a used E1 for around 390.00 and buy it. You will be very happy and pleased with the radio and the full room filling sound that comes from it.
No flaming, just one listener's opinion. Take it for what it's worth (about 2 cent's I believe)
73 and happy listening!
Harry
K9HDT

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881. Re: Fw: Kaito 1121 appears on kaitousa.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-28 06:12:59 UTC
From: mr__simon
Topic: 806 Message: 881

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Harry Taylor <harle83@...> wrote:
>I would find a used E1 for around 390.00 and buy it. You will be very
>happy and pleased with the radio and the full room filling sound that
>comes from it.

I'm still waiting for my DE1121 to arrive. My Redsun RP2100 that I purchased from tquchina is a great radio and still going strong. You could buy two DE1121s (just to be safe), and still spend less than the Kaito.

I'm disappointed too by the lack of SW broadcasts, but despite what some people here have written, I'm planning to use mine to record AM, FM & SW broadcasts to mp3.

-Art

882. Re: speaker grill Question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-28 15:05:03 UTC
From: Phil Pasteur
Topic: 851 Message: 882

You are correct about the distortion problem, as I also mentioned this seemed to be a problem with early production radios. Even then, not every radio was affected. I tend to think that it was likely due to tolerances in the audio chip. The fact remains though that those radios had values for some resistors that did not match the requirements defined in the spec sheet for the audio pre/power amp chip. In my case, getting the proper values in definitely got rid of a nasty level of distortion.

Fortunately the replacement of the caps with quality parts having values matching the requirements of the engineering drawing for the audio chip did not involve replacing any surface mount parts. All parts were "normal" solder through components. In one case it was a matter of bypassing an existing cap with a quality part. The whole project, which included fixing the resistor values by adding a couple of resistors in parallel, replacing IIRC 6 caps, bypassing one, and adding the static discharge diode protection mod took about 2.5 hours. Someone that really knows what they are doing could probably do it in less than an hour.

A friend got a Kaito 1103 a couple of months ago, when we put the two radios next to each other for a comparison, he was the first one to point out that he thought mine sounded "way" better. So it may be doubtful, but at least for my particular radio, the mod made a significant positive difference in the audio. It sounds like a "bigger" radio (better low frequency response), yet the higher frequencies are cleaner and clearer making for better intelligibility on week signals. As they say YMMV.

1b. Re: speaker grill Question
Posted by: "knyuen88" knyuen88@... knyuen88
Date: Wed Dec 27, 2006 6:47 am ((PST))

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883. New DE1121 group is active

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-28 20:11:58 UTC
From: Sanjaya
Topic: 883 Message: 883

Posted by Hans in rec.radio.shortwave...

Hello all..

I started a new yahoo group, click on:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1121

This is a great radio!

Hans

884. Re: DEGEN DE1121 (OR KAITO 1121) JUST ARRIVED! FIRST IMPRESSIONS...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2006-12-31 01:42:35 UTC
From: daultemostaza
Topic: 840 Message: 884

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "yrag4931" <yrag4931@...> wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "daultemostaza" <daultemostaza@>
wrote:
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> > lot of material to discuss about. If you want to know any other
> > aspect of the radio, don´t hesitate to ask me :) Pablo.
> >
> Pablo,I salute you.It sounds like you have been able to actually
use
> the 1121.I've had mine for about a week and just got around to
fooling
> around with it today.After two hours I finally got the clock set to
> the correct time,but I don't know how I did it!This thing is
> incredibly complicated.Now surely the group thinks I'm a moron and
> technically challenged.Such is not the case.The timer settings to
> record are impossibly difficult.I'm planning on using the unit as
an
> mp3 player with a speaker and radio.But no timer recording.I'll
> continue to use my Pogo RadioYourWay LX for recording.The manual
for
> the 1121 is poorly written and no fault of the translator,and I
think
> the device itself is poorly designed.Bottom line,I would wait for a
> second generation unit or at least an improved version of the
current
> model.If anyone in the group buys an 1121,be advised the manual
does
> not tell how to remove the mp3 from the radio.There is a flat
button
> on the back labeled Open(mp3).There's no indicator to tell you
what to
> do.Slide up,down,left,right?Push?Pull?The secret answer is-----
> push in very hard.It won't break or at least mine didn't.This pops
the
> mp3 up about three sixteenths of an inch,and nimble fingers can
barely
> grasp it and pull it up and out of the radio body.Hope this helps
> somebody.I was soooooo sure I would break something.

>Hi yrag4931!
I think I am not the only who had problems with the loved/hated
DE1121
After used it about 2 weeks more or less I have not a clear opinion
about it. As I told, I have a lot of images from AM and FM Local
stations over the most part of the SW band.
The radio section doesn't satisfy me at all. I think the DE1103 is
by far better radio than the DE1121. But with few SW stations on air
today (and less the next year, as I read a lot of stations will go
out of the air in 2007) the SW is near to the end, so I focus in the
AM FM and MP3 section, and I love the concept of the de1121; a
little radio recorder for this century! digital...but with little
memory for these days (only 256MB not upgradable)..so it is a shame,
but as you I hope in short time DEGEN or any other radio factory

improve this concept.Like you, I have also a Pogo! RYW LX and I love it (now with 2gb sd card) and I record a lot of AM and FM shows unattended in a snap...but the speaker in the Pogo! is almost unusable, that's because I think the DE1121 concept will be a starting point for radios with mp3 recording/playback capability..but at least give us the chance to throw a SD card on it! Regards. Pablo

885. Re: DEGEN DE1121 (OR KAITO 1121) JUST ARRIVED! FIRST IMPRESSIONS...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-01 23:10:47 UTC
From: mr__simon
Topic: 840 Message: 885

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "daultemostaza" <daultemostaza@...> wrote:
> By the way, day after day I
> have encountered new "lacks" of the DE1121, one very remarkable is no
> way to schedule unatended radio recordings (?)..I consider it a major
> flaw, because it is supposed that somebody wants to do unatended
> recordings while is not at home, taking advantage of the digital
> recorded included in the radio. (my loved POGO RYW LX does that job
> flawlessly, letting me to hear some radio shows when I come back to
> home after work). Regards. Pablo

It is possible to make unattended recordings with the DE1121--I've made three since mine arrived. The instructions are obscure, but on page 12 of the manual it (sort of) explains it. Timer recordings are a variation on the alarm settings. The settings are daily, so you couldn't set it just to record on Tuesdays, but otherwise it works pretty well. The big advantage it has over the Radio YourWay is the ability to record SW and FM. My Radio YourWay has very poor FM reception. I posted the steps to set the timer recorder on the new DE1121 group.

-Art

886. Using the memories

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-03 18:27:10 UTC
From: wgmartin999
Topic: 886 Message: 886

I'm one of the people who had not filled up the memories on my 1103, and just recently thought of something and did it and find it quite useful:

I picked a spot (happened to start at memory location 40) and stored in all the US medium-wave band channels (520, 530, 540... up to 1680, 1690, 1700, 1710). So now I can scan the MW band by switching to memory mode and just slowly advancing the knob. It's easier than tuning by 1 kHz steps and having to be sure you stop on a frequency ending in "0" when casually listening and bandscanning. If you are interested in other MW frequencies ("splits" and transPacific/transAtlantic), you can simply revert to by-frequency tuning.

I find the 1103 quite a good MW radio, despite its small size (and thus small ferrite rod).

Happy New Year to the group! 73, Will

887. Re: Using the memories

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-04 02:13:02 UTC
From: epsilon2675
Topic: 886 Message: 887

Hey! Great idea, Will. I am going to try that on mine as soon as it gets back from Kaito.

Tom

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "wgmartin999" <wgmartin999@...> wrote:
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888. Audible proof that the 1103 is remarkable on MW (AM)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-04 23:10:58 UTC
From: gary_thorburn
Topic: 888 Message: 888

Check out the recording of Morocco on 612, heard on my 1103.

daslied.com/badx/maine2006

Recent posts have commented on what a good MW receiver the 1103 is, even with just the internal ferrite rod antenna. I occasionally take a DXpedition to an electrically quiet location on the Maine coast, with fellow members of the Boston Area DXers, for some serious shortwave and Trans-Atlantic MW DXing. My main receiver is a Drake R8A,with a broadband loop antenna set up on the rocks just 50 yards orso from the water.

This past November, I also brought my 1103, and could nicely hear Morocco on 612 and Algeria on 549, on the "barefoot" 1103, that is, no external antenna or connections of any kind.

The recordings are taken from the Drake R8A, except for one, made from the 1103. You'll see two entries for Morocco 612, the second one is taken from the 1103, using a microphone. (The Drake is directly cabled to the recorder).

You will hear a 2kHz beat tone, the mixing product of the 612 signal with WGIR 610 kHz, Manchester NH, or whatever else is on 610. This tone is easily filtered out on the Drake. At the end of the recording, I plug back into the Drake for comparison.

In the interest of full disclosure, be it known that I have done the Kiwa and KD1TE audio mods (described in the files on this forum). However, this should have had no impact negatively or positively on the RF peformance of the 1103.

-- Gary KD1TE

889. Clandestine atenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-05 00:10:38 UTC
From: pappy042240
Topic: 889 Message: 889

Today my KA1103 arrived. OK, it is one hot receiver. I find that my idea for a concealed, easy to do antenna worked with this receiver also. Try this: connect the receiver antenna input to the green wire ground of a nearby power line. Make sure the power connector is wired correctly first. This connection goes directly to the power entry ground spade driven in the earth.

Just to prove that all that glitters is not ground, at least for RF. Comments?

890. AM band memories

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-05 22:22:00 UTC
From: pappy042240
Topic: 890 Message: 890

Thanks for this idea to set up AM memories on 10kHz steps.

To further discuss this, suggest using the 'hidden' memories for this which still allows you to use the 00 to 99 memories with the key stroke. Also suggest starting at 1710kHz and working down, since those top frequencies have fewer stations. You will use 120 memories.

1. Set frequency, hold STORE, MEM will flash, rotate FREQ dial CCW one step down from 000, FREQ display will turn to dashes and release STORE. Push STORE again momentarily. Push M/F. Dial FREQ down 10kHz etc.

I kinda like this radio.

891. 3 versions ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-06 13:25:25 UTC
From: shechan3
Topic: 891 Message: 891

Hi, I am new to this group.

I heard that there are three versions DE1103. How to find out which version I have. What are the difference ?

892. ESD paranoia

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-07 17:27:09 UTC
From: pappy042240
Topic: 892 Message: 892

My brand new KA1103 arrived recently and I was scared to touch the whip because of many complaints of apparent ESD failures. I got over it somewhat, however here are several suggestions for reducing the ESD fear.

1. Avoid shuffling across a carpet or sliding on a seat.
2. Discharge youself to ground whenever possible.
3. Touch the receiver earphone jack first, to equalize ESD. Even touching the external antenna jack first will help.
4. Disconnect any outside antenna whenever you are not using it. Even the wind will charge up an antenna.
5. Avoid touching the radio extended whip to any object which could have an ESD charge. For example, peeling tape off a roll will charge up the tape, the roll and yourself.
6. Purchase the 'Square Trade' insurance when offered.

If you open the receiver to do your own repairs, this will void any warrenty or insurance. Use an ESD work station, bench conductive pad with Megohm resistance to ground, and an ESD wrist strap with 1 megohm to the pad.

If you wish to ask, I will respond to questions.

893. Re: ESD paranoia

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-07 19:47:41 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 892 Message: 893

I am confused, please advise.
Since the mentioned DE1103 is still isolated(not connected) to grounds
(not at the same earth ground potential), how can the "Discharge
youself to ground" via the receiver's earphone jack ground(the radio
ground)be completed in order to drain(equalize ESD) the body statistic
charges?.
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894. ESD discharge

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-07 22:14:05 UTC
From: pappy042240
Topic: 894 Message: 894

Hi, Knyken: Thanks for considering my suggestions for ESD control.

Consider the equivalent circuit: The human body is expressed by a 100pF capacitor charged charged to 4kV (The ESD test voltage) discharged through a 1500 ohm resistance. Of course, actual charging could be easily 10kV and often as high as 30kV. Sometimes the actual capacitor is as high as 1000pF.

Then the discharge path for damage is through a semiconductor junction which is destroyed by the current surge. The junction in question has some connection from the antenna to the radio 'ground'. Hopefully, the radio 'ground' is isolated from the earth ground by a high impedance. Perhaps you have explained why there is a limited number of ESD failures.

Consider when you slide across the car seat and touch the door handle, a significant ESD arc is caused. The car is not at earth ground. It is at car 'ground'. Four kV is the typical ESD protection for semiconductors, which is the level you can barely detect. Those big shocks you feel are way higher than 4kV.

ESD protection is doing those things which reduce the ESD surge current in the semiconductor junction to a level which the junction can tollerate. My suggestion for you to touch the headphone jack is to discharge your ESD capacitor to the radio 'ground'.

Thanks for allowing me to contribute to your understanding of ESD.

895. Re: ESD discharge

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-08 00:00:04 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 894 Message: 895

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897. Ac Buzz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-08 09:38:25 UTC
From: Bill
Topic: 897 Message: 897

I just got a KA1103. It is the best shortwave radio I have ever owned. Very impressed with the recieve on this little jewel. However I am having trouble with a buzz when listening while the AC Power Adapter is connected. It is loudest on the AM band and slowly diminishes as I tune up in frequency. But there is always a slight buzz which completely disappears when I disconnect the AC Power Adapter. This happens with or without the External Antenna connected. And I have tried plugging the AC Power Adapter in other AC outlets as well. Something peculiar I have discovered is that if I touch the front of the radio the buzz disappears. I have several questions. Anyone else having this problem? What is causing this buzz? Is there a way to eliminate the buzz besides holding my finger to the front of the radio constantly lol:)? I have thought about trying a ground. But there is nowhere to connect one. Any input would be greatly appreciated.
Bill

898. Re: [de1103] Ac Buzz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-08 11:46:39 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 897 Message: 898

----- Original Message -----
From: Bill
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, January 08, 2007 9:38 AM
Subject: [de1103] Ac Buzz

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899. Re: Ac Buzz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-08 12:07:54 UTC
From: bobby279d2000
Topic: 897 Message: 899

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon" <leon355@...> wrote:
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Hello...
just a thought on the ac buzz, I purchased an 1103 from Kaito USA, it
came with the power adapter, horrible ac buzz as you described.
Called Kaito, they where unaware of problems with adapter. They sent
me another just as bad. I tried using my adapter from an E5 I have,
problem dissapeared. All adapters that are "turtle backed" are most
likely to be faulty. The turtle back adapters are very well known for

their noise in the early E5 sales, now they come with a more squared off design.
Regards..

900. Re: [de1103] Ac Buzz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-08 12:43:23 UTC
From: Dave Spicer
Topic: 897 Message: 900

When I took my -1103 to my in-laws' in Atlanta GA (USA) over Thanksgiving, it was overwhelmed by buzzing, even when using battery power. I found the source of some of it - there were several touch-control lamps in the house which made a racket through the radio even when they were turned off. Had to unplug them. A lot of buzzing remained; I didn't go through the house unplugging/disabling things since it wasn't my house :-) My own house has some buzzing too but nothing like my in-laws'.

I looked into snap-on ferrite cores for power cords and found these:
http://search.ebay.com/_W0QQsassZweb_shopper_n_auctioneerQQhtZ-1
A 10-pack is $14 including shipping. Anyone tried extensive use of these? (Radio Shack also carries one but it's hideously expensive [$5.29 each!])

As an experiment I may turn off the main power switch for my house to see how much quieter things get on the radio. January 14 is forecast to be 68F (20C) here in Asheville NC (USA) which would break the high temperature record by 5F so we won't need the furnace running that day...

- Dave

901. Re: Ac Buzz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-08 15:52:18 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 897 Message: 901

Believe the ext.ant connector one side is connected to the radio's ground(the outer skirt-- not the tip of the plug). And so does the headphone or the line-out sockets. Please double check/confirm the schematic in the File section of this forum -- just in case if I am wrong.
On the other hand this File section also listed a Russian SWL's info about adding extra shieldings inside the DE1103 too.

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902. Re: [de1103] Re: ESD discharge

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-08 17:28:30 UTC
From: Charles Andes
Topic: 894 Message: 902

Hi again: My purpose in writing the several suggestions is to reduce the chance of damaging the sensitive and fragile semiconductors connected to the whip and to the external antenna jack. I discourage you from opening the radio for any reason. I encourage you to purchase the very reasonable insurance to continue to make the manufacturer responsible for ESD failures. In any event, avoid touching the whip antenna first.

The very best way to guard ESD failures is to set up an ESD work station, i.e. a conductive pad over the bench top connected to ground with 1 Megohm resistor, a conductive wrist band connected to ground with 1 Megohm, and the receiver itself connected to ground with 1 megohm resistor. This is the setup manufacturers use to assemble and test ESD sensitive equipment today. Of course, even this will not 100% guarentee failure free, but almost; and it will not allow portable operation of a radio.

There are some very good internet sites which explain ESD in great detail and I encourage you to invite them to your PC display.

Thanks again for your thoughtful questions.

--- knyuen88@yahoo.com wrote:

From: "knyuen88" <knyuen88@yahoo.com>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: ESD discharge
Date: Mon, 08 Jan 2007 00:00:04 -0000

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903. Has Kaito Solved The 1103 Tuning Wheel Problem ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-08 19:06:34 UTC
From: mushlee
Topic: 903 Message: 903

I want to buy another Kaito KA-1103 but my last one died due to the tuning wheel no longer working after numerous failures that lead up to its ultimate demise. Is this still an issue with the 1103? Is there a particular batch of radios that are experiencing this problem or a particular color (I know that sounds crazy but just thought I would ask)? I really like the line-out feature on this radio, and it does have other nice features and excellent reception. But I don't want to buy another defective 1103... Thanks

904. Re: Ac Buzz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-08 20:03:15 UTC
From: Bill
Topic: 897 Message: 904

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
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905. Re: Ac Buzz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-08 20:42:29 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 897 Message: 905

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> radio?

Yes,just checked my DE1103 (with an Ohm meter). At least the outer skirt of the ext.ant and the headphone plugs/connectors are grounded and connected to the radio's front "Silver metal" pannels directly. Nevertheless try it youself and confirm.

906. Re: Has Kaito Solved The 1103 Tuning Wheel Problem ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-08 20:55:38 UTC
From: llevitis
Topic: 903 Message: 906

Hi,
I have the same problem with my radio. I checked the radioscanner.ru website and there are quite a few complaints about the jog dial. It seems that in the current version of the radio the problem is fixed. I contacted tquchina on ebay about buying a new jog dial.

Leon

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "mushlee" <mushlee@...> wrote:
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907. RE: [de1103] Has Kaito Solved The 1103 Tuning Wheel Problem ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-08 21:03:00 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 903 Message: 907

They fixed it with a Japanese encoder!

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of mushlee
Sent: Monday, January 08, 2007 2:07 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Has Kaito Solved The 1103 Tuning Wheel Problem ?

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908. Re: Has Kaito Solved The 1103 Tuning Wheel Problem ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-09 03:30:18 UTC
From: mushlee
Topic: 903 Message: 908

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
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> They fixed it with a Japanese encoder!
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On
Behalf Of
> mushlee
> Sent: Monday, January 08, 2007 2:07 PM
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [de1103] Has Kaito Solved The 1103 Tuning Wheel Problem ?
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>
> I want to buy another Kaito KA-1103 but my last one died due to the
> tuning wheel no longer working after numerous failures that lead up to
> its ultimate demise...

Thanks for the replies; do you know when Kaito did the fix? I wouldn't
mind waiting for the new encoder...
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909. Something went wrong with my Degen 1103!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-09 20:00:09 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 909 Message: 909

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910. Re: Something went wrong with my Degen 1103!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-09 22:00:13 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 909 Message: 910

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911. RE: [de1103] Re: Something went wrong with my Degen 1103!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-09 22:25:27 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 909 Message: 911

Many thanks for this first comment on my post.

I will recharge the batt's (the ones that came with the rcvr) in a external charger). But the receiver was operated/tested after the mod also with the voltage adaptor which came with the set, which I understand is a good one. No hum at all.

And also want to add that the sound dissapears gradually... afters seconds. The longest the receiver is off, the longer the sound lives. If I re turn it on/off several times, there is no audio reaction.
Another detail to add... the speaker leads were removed and then reconnected. This is the only thing directly related to the audio section which I can recall.

Horacio

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912. RE: [de1103] Re: Something went wrong with my Degen 1103!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-10 02:28:36 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 909 Message: 912

Horacio,
sounds like a capacitor charging and discharging... perhaps the normal circuit was somehow altered during the repair and now the capacitor charges through a high resistance path. It might be a capacitor in the power a supply line... or not. Well, it's only theory. Whatever the cause of the malfunction I'm afraid that the receiver shoud be operated on again :-)

I would check the solder in the speaker leads and every other part that could be unsoldered or simply pushed when handling the PC board.

Does the sound go away only in the speaker? Did you check if the line output and the earphone output are also dead? There is a chance that the line out is still alive. Then look for bad solder, first in the speaker circuit and then in the audio circuit. Also try all modes: AM, SSB and FM to see if more info can be obtained.

Good luck!

Moisés,

Moisés Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

913. Re: [de1103] 3 versions ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-10 07:26:19 UTC
From: Lidael
Topic: 891 Message: 913

--- shechan3 <naosun@...> wrote:

> Hi, I am new to this group.
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> I heard that there are three versions DE1103. How to
> find out which
> version I have. What are the difference ?
The latest is the IV version.
Unscrew receiver and u will see the version u have.
Difference? Maybe some "bugfixes"

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914. Re: 3 versions ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-10 14:29:44 UTC
From: Jim Hackett
Topic: 891 Message: 914

Unscrew receiver?

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915. Re: [de1103] Re: 3 versions ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-10 18:45:45 UTC
From: Dave Spicer
Topic: 891 Message: 915

Jim queried:

> Unscrew receiver?

Let's see you say it better in Ukrainian :-)

- Dave, whose only "second language" is very rusty Spanish, unless you count stuff like COBOL

916. Re: Something went wrong with my Degen 1103!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-10 18:47:26 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 909 Message: 916

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moisés Knochen <moises.knochen@...>
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Tom

917. Re: 3 versions ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-10 20:22:38 UTC
From: Jim Hackett
Topic: 891 Message: 917

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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Dave Spicer <drspicer@...> wrote:
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918. Re: [de1103] Re: 3 versions ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-10 21:36:56 UTC
From: Dave Spicer
Topic: 891 Message: 918

Jim said:

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Seems reasonable to assume he meant "remove the back from the case". There are eight screws visible on the unit; one fastens the antenna to its base and six of the remaining ones have arrows pointing to them. This is a convention meaning, "these are what hold the cover on." Before it was adopted, there could be unfortunate results from enthusiastic folks like me removing *every* screw, then having the innards come out in pieces/modules... :-(

Loss of precision across languages happens periodically. I often have quite a time just within English - didn't intend my original comment as a serious criticism.

peace - Dave

919. RE: [de1103] Re: Something went wrong with my Degen 1103!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-10 23:11:51 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 909 Message: 919

Thanks for your comments!

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920. RE: [de1103] Re: Something went wrong with my Degen 1103!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-11 11:12:31 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 909 Message: 920

Well, after all day I stored the receiver off the AC power, inside the pouch and with their batt's fully charged since the former day, when I returned back home from work I turned it on all night and no problem was experienced. So I think the problem has vanished, (maybe a shortcircuit or something transitory). The receiver is working well for the moment.

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921. Re: 3 versions ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-11 15:48:42 UTC
From: stelug
Topic: 891 Message: 921

First off all, sorry for my english, is terrible, althesame I think I did got the meaning of the question. As to say: there is no other way without opening the radio? Infact we all know how fragile is this stuff and I would better mainteain my doubts about wich model I have, than risking a serious damage. Now my quest: may be there is a sequence of manouvres (pushing buttons or what else?) that can bring out on the screen the firmware version ???
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922. Re: Something went wrong with my Degen 1103!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-11 17:06:45 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 909 Message: 922

Seemingly your batteries were never fully charged. No doubt weak batteries when underloaded will cause a lot of unpredictable symptoms-- the accurate way to check a fully charged battery u need to check it with a LOAD rather than just take it out and measure the voltages ! If my memory is correct u received the DE1103 only recently and likely you charge it(with the DE1103 built-in charger) only a few hours rather than overnights when it arrived, true?

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923. RE: [de1103] Re: Something went wrong with my Degen 1103!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-11 17:53:58 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 909 Message: 923

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925. RE: [de1103] Re: Something went wrong with my Degen 1103!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-12 01:25:57 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 909 Message: 925

No... the display always was OK. Just, that no indication of the signal on the graphic bar was seen, when the audio/signal faded out. This is why I think it was more in the RF section than in the audio one.

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> problem was experienced. So I think the problem has vanished,
(maybe
> a shortcircuit or something transitory). The receiver is working
well
> for the moment.
> >
> > Horacio
> >
> > Horacio Nigro <hanigrodx@> escribi?
> > Thanks for your comments!
> >
> > Last night, the first after the mod, I kept the receiver turned
> on. After some offs and ons the signal kept at medium level. Then
> after a while it kept normal all the night. Only at the following
> morning it returned to the problem.
> >
> > One thing I saw is that when the rx is not OK there is no
> indication of the signal strenght sign on the bar graphical meter.
> Also there are growls in the process of audio/signal falling down.
> Also intermitent millisecond audio pops.
> >
> > Tonight I will make another session.
> >
> > The problem is also present when using headphones. The new FET
> works since signals are much better.
> >
> >
> > Horacio
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> >
> > Tom Holden VE3MEO <holden_family@> escribi?
> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Mois?s Knochen
> <moises.knochen@>
> > wrote:
> > >
> > > Horacio,

> > > sounds like a capacitor charging and discharging...
> >
> > Or a thermal problem. Feel for a hot device. Possibly more than
the
> FET
> > was damaged.
> >
> > Tom
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> >
> > Horacio Nigro
> > Montevideo
> > Uruguay
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926. Re: Something went wrong with my Degen 1103!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-12 05:25:07 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 909 Message: 926

Even when the signal graphic bars disappeared is the station freq. still remained in the display screen(also able tuned to other freq. afterwards)? How about the charging bars, clock displays ...and other functions? Were their symbols still shown in the displays and functioning? Since both the AM and the FM signal chains/components are unrelated,except for sharing the same power sources --- unusual low voltages at the commond supply source(s)? If this is the case even if the followered audio IC amplifier works properly the audio should be weak/dead anb highly distorted at best.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Horacio Nigro <hanigrodx@...> wrote:
>
> No... the display always was OK. Just, that no indication of the signal on the graphic bar was seen, when the audio/signal faded out. This is why I think it was more in the RF section than in the audio one.
>
> Horacio
>

927. Re: Something went wrong with my Degen 1103!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-13 06:11:17 UTC
From: 3CX100A5
Topic: 909 Message: 927

Hi All,

Sorry to hear about your problem Horacio.
However, I think the batteries being low is not likely to have been the problem. The 1103 monitors the battery voltage and turns off the set before malfunction of the receiver occurs.
I am surprised (but pleased) that the problem seems to have gone away. I was fairly sure you would have to open the receiver again and check in the area of the mods for open circuits (dry joints) or solder shorts.
As the FET preamp was changed, something to try if the fault returns is if the receiver still works normally with an external antenna plugged in? If it does, then the problem could be in the bias feed to the FET (say perhaps R102 open circuit?).

Best wishes, John.

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> > Horacio

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928. RE: [de1103] Re: Something went wrong with my Degen 1103!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-14 01:32:14 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 909 Message: 928

The 1103 is working very nice!. No malfunction observed.
The 25 meter long randomwire is being used with a 9:1 balun at
the far end of the coaxial cable. (used to match my Kenwood R600).

Nevertheless, since it has always overloading the Degen
front-end, now with the preamp FET now working, again, another
ferrite bar was added near the receiver, with primary as 12 turns of
plastic enameled wire to 5 turns. Matching is OK. The receiver
is really sensitive with the FET!!!

Still don't know what happened to cause the malfunction...
but its fine reception is a pleasure...

73

Horacio

3CX100A5 <a3cx100a5@...> escribi?:
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929. New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-14 07:18:37 UTC
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343 Message: 929

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the de1103
group.

File : /de_mk4_if2.jpg
Uploaded by : a3cx100a5 <a3cx100a5@...>
Description : FM IF circuit change in DE1103 MkIV (from radioscanner.ru)

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/de_mk4_if2.jpg

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/files

Regards,

a3cx100a5 <a3cx100a5@...>

930. FM works ok, no AM or Shortwave

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-15 20:52:58 UTC
From: Mark Martindale
Topic: 930 Message: 930

I was using my 1103 yesterday on AM and it just quit working on am and sw. It was running on batteries and the rod antenna at the time while sitting on a table.

I searched the previous posts for a fix and tried the reset and master reset. It came on for a couple of seconds after the master reset and then quit again.

I noticed that post #870 sounds like the same problem. Could someone tell me what number transistor is usually the problem and a suitable replacement available in the US.

I appreciate any help,

Mark

931. Re: FM works ok, no AM or Shortwave

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-17 01:43:15 UTC
From: Bill
Topic: 930 Message: 931

Look in the files section for "Preamp FET Replacement"

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mark Martindale" <markmart@...> wrote:
>
> I was using my 1103 yesterday on AM and it just quit working on am and
> sw. It was running on batteries and the rod antenna at the time while
> sitting on a table.
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> replacement available in the US.
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> I appreciate any help,
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> Mark
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932. ssb

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-17 03:51:41 UTC
From: johnmarrack
Topic: 932 Message: 932

I am new to sw and ssb. I have bought a Kaito 1103 to catch ssb in the Bahamas foe weather. The Bahamas ssb net broadcasts on 8152mhz. I do not know how to receive 8152 mhz as the bands seem to skip this frequency. Any suggestions fof a novice?
John

933. Re: ssb

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-17 07:37:26 UTC
From: Bill
Topic: 932 Message: 933

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "johnmarrack" <jmarrack@...> wrote:
>
> I am new to sw and ssb. I have bought a Kaito 1103 to catch ssb in
> the Bahamas foe weather. The Bahamas ssb net broadcasts on 8152mhz.
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> frequency. Any suggestions fof a novice?
> John
>
enter the frequency using the number keys then press the band+ button
in the lower right hand corner.

934. Re: Ac Buzz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-17 08:07:27 UTC
From: Bill
Topic: 897 Message: 934

This is an update. The outer skirt is indeed the ground. I bought some 1/8" mono plugs and used some speaker wire I had laying around. I ran the wire all the way around my room (making a loop) where the wall meets the ceiling. About 45-50 feet long. I soldered it to the tip of the plug. I then soldered a short length of wire to the outer skirt. then attached it to a ground rod outside my window.

My first impression was what a difference. Signals were much stronger on shortwave stations. And the problem I was having with the AC Buzz from the power supply was gone. Then I scanned the various Amateur Radio bands on SSB and found that this radio has a problem with overload on the frontend. The voices come out garbled on strong signals. Now if I switch local\dx to local it is not as bad but if I am monitoring a conversation where one of the stations is weak I am left hearing a one sided conversation. However this is a great improvement as the AC Buzz is gone. This should hold me over till I save up enough to get a TenTec RX-340 or maybe even a TenTec RX-320D.
Anyone have any evperience with Either of these?
My Thanks to everyone who gave input.
Bill

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Bill" <ke4wkp@...> wrote:
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@> wrote:
> >
> > Believe the ext.ant connector one side is connected to the radio's
> > ground(the outer skirt-- not the tip of the plug). And so does the
> Can anyone confirm if the outer skirt on the antenna jack is a ground.
> I already have a ground rod in the ground outside my window I could
> use. I just need to go to radio shack and pick up some wire and an
> 1/8" mono plug. I have been thinking about making my own antenna
> anyways. Or maybe I could somehow connect a ground to the front of the
> radio?
>
> > headphone or the line-out sockets. Please double check/confirm the
> > schematic in the File section of this forum -- just in case if I am
> > wrong.
> > On the other hand this File section also listed a Russian SWL's info
> > about adding extra shieldings inside the DE1103 too.
> >
> > I have thought about trying a ground. But there is
> > > nowhere to connect one. Any input would be greatly appreciated.
> > >
> > > I have the same problem. I just run mine from NiMH cells.
> > >

> > > Leon
> > > --
> > > Leon Heller
> > > Amateur radio call-sign G1HSM
> > > Yaesu FT-817ND transceiver
> > > Suzuki SV1000S motorcycle
> > > leon355@
> > > http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller
> > >
> >
>

935. Re: [de1103] ssb

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-17 09:07:44 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 932 Message: 935

----- Original Message -----
From: johnmarrack
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, January 17, 2007 3:51 AM
Subject: [de1103] ssb

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the Bahamas foe weather. The Bahamas ssb net broadcasts on 8152mhz.
I do not know how to receive 8152 mhz as the bands seem to skip this
frequency. Any suggestions fof a novice?

Try entering the frequency directly with the numeric buttons - 8152 followed
by BAND+. Then select SSB and tune the signal (Fine Tune control) until it
becomes intelligible.

Leon
--
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936. Re: [de1103] ssb

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-17 11:30:40 UTC
From: Charles Andes
Topic: 932 Message: 936

Congratulations on using the 1103. Try direct frequency input. Push number buttons 8-1-5-2 then band+.

--- jmarrack@hotmail.com wrote:

From: "johnmarrack" <jmarrack@hotmail.com>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] ssb
Date: Wed, 17 Jan 2007 03:51:41 -0000

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I do not know how to receive 8152 mhz as the bands seem to skip this
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937. Re: FM works ok, no AM or Shortwave

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-17 15:40:11 UTC
From: Mark Martindale
Topic: 930 Message: 937

Hi Bill and thanks for the reply. I found the Ebay seller and ordered 100 of them. Hope it fixes the problem. If anyone else needs one of these FET's, I will be happy to share.

Mark

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Bill" <ke4wkp@...> wrote:
>
> Look in the files section for "Preamp FET Replacement"
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mark Martindale" <markmart@> wrote:
> >
> > I was using my 1103 yesterday on AM and it just quit working on am and
> > sw. It was running on batteries and the rod antenna at the time while
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> > replacement available in the US.
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> > I appreciate any help,
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> > Mark
> >
>

938. Re: Ac Buzz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-17 20:21:47 UTC
From: Barry
Topic: 897 Message: 938

As for the RX320, I sold mine a few months ago. It
was the original model, not the D version. I was
quite disappointed in it. The KA1103 is vastly
superior IMHO.

Barry

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939. Re: Ac Buzz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-17 21:18:38 UTC
From: Bill
Topic: 897 Message: 939

What disappointed you about it?? I have heard mostly raving reviews.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Barry <lids3qy@...> wrote:
>
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> was the original model, not the D version. I was
> quite disappointed in it. The KA1103 is vastly
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940. New to the group

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-17 19:36:36 UTC
From: Chris
Topic: 940 Message: 940

Hi my name is Chris and I live in Southend-on-sea UK.
I have been into radio listening for about 37 years and
hold a british amateur radio licence, G8LVK.
I own several radios, IC-70R, FRG-7, DX-394, SSR-1, HF-3,
R861, IC-R7000, AX-700, FT-736R and now the DEGEN-1103.
The DEGEN-1103 is not on open sale here in the UK. So I
had to wait for one to come up on Ebay at the right price.
I found a Block Diagram on the web and have put it up on the
Files section. Hope this is of some use to the group.

941. Re: Ac Buzz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-18 00:36:10 UTC
From: Jim Hackett
Topic: 897 Message: 941

I also have an original RX320. There MUST have been something wrong with yours. There is no comparison between the two I have. The 1103 is a fine radio but will overload if you hook up a "real" antenna...

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942. Re: Ac Buzz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-18 22:31:34 UTC
From: lids3qy
Topic: 897 Message: 942

I was never overwhelmed with its performance. Hooking up an external antenna actually lowered the performance but if I clipped a longwire to the whip, things improved so yes, something may have been wrong with it but it was that way since I bought it in 1998 or so.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Jim Hackett" <jim_hack@...> wrote:
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943. freq display adjust

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-20 02:06:40 UTC
From: bobby279d2000
Topic: 943 Message: 943

I have to detune down 1 khz when I use ssb, otherwise I'm not able to get enough adjustment with the fine tuning knob to read the signal. It also appears to be about 1 to 2 khz off (down) when on am. Does anyone know which tuning coil I might adjust to get spot on. Thank you

944. Re: New TG35 ACTIVE ANTENNA

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-22 17:00:30 UTC
From: mr__simon
Topic: 845 Message: 944

Anyone want to comment on this antenna? I'm thinking about getting one
for my DE1121. Thanks!

-Art

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
>
> I ordered it and will let you all know something!
>
>

945. Turnaround time for Kaito???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-23 03:39:17 UTC
From: epsilon2675
Topic: 945 Message: 945

Hi Folks,
I had to send back my Kaito 1103 to Kaito USA for repair replacement.
I sent it out a month ago. Anybody have any idea how long before they
send back things?

Thanks,
Tom

946. Re: FM works ok, no AM or Shortwave

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-23 19:18:49 UTC
From: Mark Martindale
Topic: 930 Message: 946

Well I changed out Q1 and that was not the problem. Any other ideas??

Thanks,
Mark

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947. Re: FM works ok, no AM or Shortwave

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-23 23:51:55 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 930 Message: 947

Without using a "Really grounded" soldering iron and all sorts of precaustions during solderings you may ruin those statistic sensitive replacement FET transistor(s) as well. This will explain why they use expensive "soldering stations" in the production lines rather than using "cheap" irons bought from the dollar stores ! Hope this is not your case.

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948. Re: New TG35 ACTIVE ANTENNA

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-25 01:30:23 UTC
From: w2bej@juno.com
Topic: 845 Message: 948

Check "radio intel" All the reviews on it say it is junk.

949. Re: New TG35 ACTIVE ANTENNA

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-25 05:32:28 UTC
From: yurajohn
Topic: 845 Message: 949

I got one engineering unit from China by a special channel.

The key point to use this active antenna is place the MW unit and the amp unit close to the window or somewhere in room can get the good signal reception, don't simply put it on desk with your radio together, this is the purpose of 15 feet length cable also. Obviously Tquchina doesn't describe this very clear.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "w2bej@..." <W2BEJ@...> wrote:
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>

950. Re: New TG35 ACTIVE ANTENNA

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-25 12:53:59 UTC
From: mr__simon
Topic: 845 Message: 950

Do you have a link? I didn't see anything on the TG35 at the radio intel site. Thanks!

-Art

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "w2bej@..." <W2BEJ@...> wrote:
>
> Check "radio intel" All the reviews on it say it is junk.
>

951. frequenies

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-25 14:27:06 UTC
From: johnmarrack
Topic: 951 Message: 951

As a neophyte to sw and ssb listening thank you for your information regarding tuning. Does anybody know useful frequencies that might be picked up for a sailor in south florida and the bahamas. With particular regard to news and weather.
Thanks John

952. Tunning below 76 Mhz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-25 21:59:21 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 952 Message: 952

Is there any trick(s) to tune DE1103 below 76Mhz ? (e.g. 50Mhz ...etc)
Thanks in advance.

953. Long Wave and Continuous Coverage on KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-27 01:26:16 UTC
From: dgunderwood
Topic: 953 Message: 953

Am I missing something? On the back of my KA1103 it says FM 76-108, ok, I can see that. However, also on the back, it shows AM 100-29999. In all the reviews it says it has LW from 100 to 519 and also says SW is continuous from 1.71 to 30 mhz. I can not find LW (100-519) on my radio nor can I find anything between 7500 and 9000. That does not appear to be continuous to me. Is there a switch somewhere I am missing? I will be very happy to be shown as ignorant if someone can show me how to tune those additional frequencies.

Thanks in advance for any help.

954. Re: [de1103] Long Wave and Continuous Coverage on KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-27 20:27:06 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 953 Message: 954

x----- Original Message -----
From: "dgunderwood" <dgu@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2007 1:26 AM
Subject: [de1103] Long Wave and Continuous Coverage on KA1103

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> show me how to tune those additional frequencies.

Just key in 100 followed by BAND+. You will then be able tune up from 100
kHz using the tuning knob.

Leon

955. Re: Long Wave and Continuous Coverage on KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-28 16:30:59 UTC
From: Theo
Topic: 953 Message: 955

It's continuous in the sense that all frequencies are accessible by key-pad entry.

Using the manual tuner, shuttling through frequency ranges will "loop" you back to the start or end of the "band" shown in analogue form... i.e. if you key in "9950" and tune higher, the receiver will skip back to "9000" when you hit "10000".

However, if you key in "10001" then use the shuttle, it will take you through all the intermediate frequencies past the start of the 25m band analogue readout (11450) all the way through to "12450" but then loop back to "11450".

Longwave isn't one of the analogue bands, so you have to start with a key-pad entry.

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956. RE: [de1103] Long Wave and Continuous Coverage on KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-27 20:06:51 UTC
From: john ferro
Topic: 953 Message: 956

below 520khz you have to enter the frequency then push the band+ button. so if you enter 100khz via the direct entry button then push the band+ key you will be able to scan all over the longwave spectrum. the knob will not take you down below 520khz.

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957. Re: [de1103] ssb

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-01-28 22:45:56 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 932 Message: 957

You have to use the numeric buttons to type it in.

On Jan 16, 2007, at 9:51 PM, johnmarrack wrote:

> I am new to sw and ssb. I have bought a Kaito 1103 to catch ssb in
> the Bahamas foe weather. The Bahamas ssb net broadcasts on 8152mhz.
> I do not know how to receive 8152 mhz as the bands seem to skip this
> frequency. Any suggestions fof a novice?
> John
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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Egun On, Lagunak! (Basque for G'day, Mates)
Pete Nalda

958. FET protection diodes

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-02-01 22:07:23 UTC
From: gls_44
Topic: 958 Message: 958

Just installed the fet protection diodes from kiwa, and my ka1103 still works (my first ever radio mod)!! I had noticed a lot of these radios getting fried by static electricity on the forums so I ordered the diodes at the same time I ordered the ka1103 (my first shortwave radio). The radio arrived a few days before the diodes so I have been using it since then. WOW! This thing recieves am/fm better than my GE superadio 3 that I've had for 13 years! I was really worried that I might ruin it and almost didn't do the mod. Now that it's done and everything works fine, I have a little more piece of mind. I also noted that it is the IV model when I had it apart so it should have most of the problems of the older models taken care of. I LOVE THIS RADIO!

959. Re: FET protection diodes

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-02-02 20:40:19 UTC
From: Bill
Topic: 958 Message: 959

Interesting read. I never heard of protection diodes. Kinda makes you wonder why they didn't just put the darn things in the radio to begin with. I am curious where you get fet protection diodes and where did you attach them? If you make a schematic please upload it to the files section that would be really neat:)
Thank You
Bill

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960. Re: FET protection diodes

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-02-02 22:13:36 UTC
From: gls_44
Topic: 958 Message: 960

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Here's were you can get them:
http://kiwa.com/KA1103.html

961. Re: FET protection diodes

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-02-02 22:22:45 UTC
From: gls_44
Topic: 958 Message: 961

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It's a pretty simple mod (if I can do it, you can). Just call Kiwa and
they will send you the diodes w/instructions for $6.00. Remember this
will void your warranty!

962. Re: FET protection diodes

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-02-03 00:10:36 UTC
From: Bill
Topic: 958 Message: 962

Thank You for the links and info:)

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963. External antenna, etc.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-02-03 17:30:01 UTC
From: n1aep
Topic: 963 Message: 963

Hi from the Boston area. Just got my 1103 a couple weeks ago. It seems to be very sensitive on MW. I have had less success on SW -- lots of noise; perhaps I am just in a noisy area.

Yesterday I was listening to some 20 meter SSB. The signals weren't very strong with the telescoping whip, so I decided I'd try the external wire. Unwound it across the floor and plugged it into the jack. Much to my surprise, the SSB signals I had been listening to got swallowed up in noise. In fact I couldn't hear any hams at all. Tried 40 m cw band, and 75 meters where I was listening to an ongoing AM qso previously. Nada.

I would have thought that the much longer wire antenna would have resulted in stronger signals. I disconnected the wire, re-extended the whip and could receive the hams again.

There seems to be a lot of noise around 3.5-3.7 MHz, and it is very difficult to pull out any 80m signals even at night.

Any comments as to why I got worse reception on a much longer antenna? And would it be better to just alligator clip a wire to the whip?

My previous rcvr was a Sangean ATS818 and other than on MW and FM it doesn't seem like the 1103 does as well. Maybe it is just more sensitive to noise?

Final question: Has anyone set up a connection so that a coaxial line could be run to the external antenna jack? I'm trying to figure out a way to run shielded, grounded feedline to an outside antenna, thinking that much of the QRN is coming from inside the building (computers, modems, lights, TVs, etc.).

Thanks,

Joel

964. Re: External antenna, etc.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-02-04 00:27:32 UTC
From: Bill
Topic: 963 Message: 964

I had the same problem. For me it was an AC buzz coming from the power supply. If I ran it on batteries the buzz went away. I emailed Kaito USA and they replied saying I should use it with the batteries only lol. So thinking maybe a ground would help, I built my own antenna and ran the skirt or ground of the plug to a ground rod. The buzz is gone but now I am experiencing frontend overload. This radio was not meant to be hooked up to a real antenna I suppose. I have to use it in Local mode. I am happy with the results as it has killed the Buzz problem I was having. You can read about it starting here.
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/message/897
This is only a temporary setup until I have saved up enough to get the Shortwave radio I really want. If this is not your problem then check the normal culprits. Start unplugging one thing at a time. Not just turning it off but totally unplugging one thing at a time until the noise goes away. Most likely it is the TV or the Computer you mentioned. Also you should try to get the antenna off the floor. I ran mine around the room where the wall meets the ceiling. The higher the better of course.
I hope something I have mentioned helps.
Bill

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> Thanks,
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> Joel
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965. Re: External antenna, etc.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-02-04 00:41:22 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 963 Message: 965

> Any comments as to why I got worse reception on a much longer
antenna?
Seemingly it picked up more noise than signals. (The longer the wire
the better the capability to pickup noises inside the house !)
> And would it be better to just alligator clip a wire to the whip?
>
Try it nevertheless but dont expect will make too much different.
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> doesn't seem like the 1103 does as well. Maybe it is just more
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Yes, sensitivity is a two way street. It pickup noises as well as
signgals --- QRM and QRN as well.
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> modems, lights, TVs, etc.).
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The tip of the antenna plug to the outdoor antenna wire/feedline and
the collar to the shield of the cable. More importanly a good
grounding to the cable shield outside the building will be very
critical to avoid noise pickups ! However overloading the DE1103
front end will be unavoidable for most powerfull stations. --- adding
an attenuator between the outdoor antenna and the DE1103 may improve
the reception somehow. On the other hand, as people mentioned in
this forum, chances for electro static charges (e.g.
thunderstorms ...) may burn out the receiver frontend is much higher.
Hope these helps.

966. Re: External antenna, etc.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-02-04 03:57:15 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 963 Message: 966

Hi Joel,

Yes, noise is from junk in your house. Just take a walk out your driveway and I bet S/N goes way up. I live in Uxbridge, just south of Worcester and I got the same problem. There are a few shortwave stations that I can get, but not many. I'm in Rochester, NY, on a contract job at the moment in an apartment building and SW is totally useless. I catch what I can on my walk to work. Best time to drag the portable out for indoor use is when the power goes out. You can do a survey of the house and see what appliances are causing disturbances. Worse ones I found besides TV sets and computers were microwave oven and electric toothbrush charger. Make wife and kids 'rig for silent running' at 10pm is only advice I got for you.

73
NEO

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> Joel
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967. I broke my antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-02-08 12:13:53 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 967 Message: 967

I pulled my antenna out and it fell apart in my hand. Does radio shack sell a replacement?

NEO

968. Re: I broke my antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-02-08 16:13:18 UTC
From: gls_44
Topic: 967 Message: 968

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "yzordderrex2003" <yzordderrex2003@...>
wrote:
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> I pulled my antenna out and it fell apart in my hand. Does radio
> shack sell a replacement?
>
> NEO
>I don't know if radio shack sells them, but this will fit the de1103
and the
ka1103:http://cgi.ebay.com/TELESCOPIC-WHIP-ANTENNA-FOR-DE1103-DE1104-DE1107-DE1121_W0QQite
mZ140046671353QQihZ004QQcategoryZ15051QQrdZ1QQssPageNameZWD1VQQcmdZViewItem

969. Re: FET protection diodes

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-02-16 02:40:27 UTC
From: Dan Reynolds
Topic: 958 Message: 969

Here's another option for the protection diode issue and doesn't void
the warranty, while adding an RF gain control.
Here's the link:
http://homepage3.nifty.com/jh5esm/handmade/de1103accessories.html
Cosy uses 1N60 diodes, germanium diodes but I'm not sure that a 1N914
/ 1N4148 wouldn't work too. I'll probably end up using 1N34's (Ge also).
I thought his design was pretty ingenious and if you're a ham and
going to use it with a transmitter, tuner, etc. this will give you a
place to mount your favorite kind of connector - BNC, SO239, etc.
I'm not knocking Kiwa, I know their mods are good but for $6 I can buy
a LOT of diodes...

It is amazing how well this thing receives. I was listening to 40
meter CW and 75 meter SSB in my steel sided house with the whip antenna!!
I wasn't so sure about this radio before I bought it. I didn't think
the tuning would be fine enough, etc. And I'm no expert either but I
do know when the front end of a radio is way too broad (as in older SW
receivers - table top or portable). This guy is pretty neat. I think
it will do me fine for bench work and as a receiver to simple
transmitters (I bought the NE SCAF filter kit and a Vectronics filter
kit as well).

Dan KB9JLO
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970. Re: [de1103] Re: FET protection diodes

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-02-16 12:30:53 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 958 Message: 970

Even though I do not live in a dry country where
static charges would easily build up, I have
installed two 1N4148 Si diodes inside the 3.5-mm
antenna plug. This will protect the famous FET as
long as the plug is inserted in the antenna jack
first and then the external antenna connected to
the plug. This should be enough to protect the
front-end from a static charge. Of course do not
expect it to protect your receiver from a direct thunderbolt strike :-)

Also, it will not protect the FET from voltages
applied to the telescopic antenna.

73,

Moisés Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

971. Re: FET protection diodes

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-02-16 17:18:37 UTC
From: gls_44
Topic: 958 Message: 971

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> do know when the front end of a radio is way too broad (as in older
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know anything about the internal workings of a radio (I wouldn't have
a clue about diode selection or where to put them) so I didn't really
want to be doing major surgery.

972. Re: FET protection diodes

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-02-16 17:32:49 UTC
From: gls_44
Topic: 958 Message: 972

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "gls_44" <gls_44@...> wrote:
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Dan Reynolds" <on30ng@> wrote:
> >
> > Here's another option for the protection diode issue and doesn't
> void
> > the warranty, while adding an RF gain control.
> > Here's the link:
> > http://homepage3.nifty.com/jh5esm/handmade/de1103accessories.html
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> 1N914
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> know anything about the internal workings of a radio (I wouldn't have
> a clue about diode selection or where to put them) so I didn't really
> want to be doing major surgery.
>The Kiwa kit protects both the whip and the external antenna and I think the only way to do that (w/o external devices) is to crack the case open and void the warranty.

973. Battery life

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-04 14:01:44 UTC
From: thinkytony
Topic: 973 Message: 973

Hi All

I bought a brand new DE1103 not so long ago, and impressed as I am, I'm appalled by its short battery life. The supplied 1100 mAh rechargeables are only giving me three or four hours listening time, or alternatively about week on standby before the batteries are completely flat. A set of brand new Duracell's perform a bit better, but not much.

What on earth is the unit doing to flatten four fresh AAs in a week just to run a LCD clock?

Is this the kind of use other owners are experiencing.

Cheers,
Tony.

974. Re: Battery life

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-04 16:17:58 UTC
From: rv43535
Topic: 973 Message: 974

I'm afraid that your experience duplicates mine.
I get about 8 hours run time with a set of 2100 mah recharge ables.
Alkalines don't fair as well.

But still, it is a nice radio :)

Cheers

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975. Re: [de1103] Battery life

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-04 16:35:34 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 973 Message: 975

----- Original Message -----
From: "thinkytony" <thinktony@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 04, 2007 2:01 PM
Subject: [de1103] Battery life

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> but not much.
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> just to run a LCD clock?

Mine last much longer than that.

Leon

976. Re: Battery life

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-04 17:34:49 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 973 Message: 976

First off, are you charging the batteries in a stand alone charger? You will get much better performance using a smart battery charger that monitors each battery individually as opposed the the dumb charger in the radio that only uses a timer for all four batteries at once.

2ndly, try using 2000 mAh or better with this radio because it's known to use a lot of juice. I'm using 2500 mAh Powerex batteries along with a MH-C401FS smart charger on the slow setting to ensure a maximum full charge.

With limited use of my DE1103 radio (usually for an hour and a half on Sunday evenings) my batteries run for a minimum of 3 weeks before going flat.

I have a DE1107 radio that I use at work daily, and along with a set of Degen 1300 mAh batteries I get about 7-8 work days of use before they go dead. With Powerex 2000 mAh I get better than 2 weeks of use. Keep in mind that the batteries are also being charged my smart charger. The slow charge is safe for the Degen batteries so they won't get fried.

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978. Re: I broke my other antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-07 00:13:02 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 967 Message: 978

I pulled the doggone antenna apart on my Kaito as well. The thing just flew apart when I pulled it out. I'm wondering if the cold WX has anything to do with them failing. We've had a few cold spells here in Rochester, NY over the past two mos. So be very gentle when you whip it out during cold WX that it doesn't break off on you.

Anybody else have this happen?

I'll have to order a few of those antennas.

NEO

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "gls_44" <gls_44@...> wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "yzordderrex2003" <yzordderrex2003@>
> wrote:
> >
> > I pulled my antenna out and it fell apart in my hand. Does radio
> > shack sell a replacement?
> >
> > NEO
> >I don't know if radio shack sells them, but this will fit the de1103
> and the
> ka1103:http://cgi.ebay.com/TELESCOPIC-WHIP-ANTENNA-FOR-DE1103-DE1104-
DE1107-
DE1121_W0QQitemZ140046671353QQihZ004QQcategoryZ15051QQrdZ1QQssPageNameZ
WD1VQQcmdZViewItem
>

979. Re: Battery life

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-07 18:13:40 UTC
From: wgmartin999
Topic: 973 Message: 979

This may be a completely unhelpful comment, but for what it's worth, I put a set of regular alkaline AA's in my 1103 when I got it and they've lasted next to forever. I do leave it plugged into the supplied external power supply just about all the time and only use the batteries when I take the radio away from the bedside and use it elsewhere, but the battery-strength indicator just always stays on the all-bars "full charge" indication when I adjust volume. Maybe it is worth trying that approach?

An interesting side note -- the Kaito power supply is also the right polarity, voltage, and plug size to fit a tiny Radio Shack hand-held TV and the Sony ICF-7600GR SW radio, so I'm getting multiple uses from that accessory.

73, Will

980. The Curse of the Frozen Radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-09 12:13:52 UTC
From: john_cribbin
Topic: 980 Message: 980

There have not been any posts on this subject in many months now. Have we ever got to the bottom of why these radios sometimes lock / freeze up?

I've had mine for about 15-16 months now, for the first 12 months it only locked up 3-4 times and was quickly cleared by taking the batteries out for a few minutes to a few hours.

I'm now in the position where for the past month or so, it lives in a semi-permanent state of suspended animation. the LCD goes blank and none of the keys respond. The only way to get it back is to remove the batteries and then use the reset button. This brings back some life in the display and as the reset button is held down the display fades until it is fully gone. Then the batteries can be re-inserted and the radio work normally. But I guarantee that once it is switched off for the night it will be dead again the next time I come to use it.

It makes no difference if it is powered by mains, alkaline or ni-mh batteries. It seems as long as power remains in the radio, then this fault will re-occur and remain until any residual power is discharged.

Clearly something has changed inside the radio recently - but what?
All suggestions gratefully received.

John

981. Re: [de1103] The Curse of the Frozen Radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-09 12:37:15 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 980 Message: 981

----- Original Message -----
From: "john_cribbin" <john_cribbin@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, March 09, 2007 12:13 PM
Subject: [de1103] The Curse of the Frozen Radio

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Mine often locks up when the batteries are changed, resetting fixes the
problem. Memories are left intact but the clock resets.

Leon

982. Re: [de1103] The Curse of the Frozen Radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-09 15:53:07 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 980 Message: 982

>Mine often locks up when the batteries are changed, resetting fixes the
>problem. Memories are left intact but the clock resets.
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>Leon

I had this problem only once while changing batteries, and resetting
the unit cured the problem. Mine is a Mk IV, design and have had it
for a few months.

Moises

983. Re: Battery life

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-09 15:11:28 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 973 Message: 983

I rarely use regular alkaline AA's because they cause the LCD display on my DE1103 and the clock on my DE1107 to seemingly overload. All the pixels appear darker and some that shouldn't be lit up appear light grey. It seems I'm the only one that has experienced this problem. Near as I can figure, the AA NiMH rechargeable batteries are 1.2V and the regular alkaline AA's are 1.5V and it's that slight difference in voltage that causes the LCD display in my two Degen radios to show ghost images.

It's kind of odd, because I use regular alkaline D size batteries in my Tecsun BCL 3000, and the LCD display is perfect.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "wgmartin999" <wgmartin999@...> wrote:
>
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> in my 1103 when I got it and they've lasted next to
> forever. I do leave it plugged into the supplied
> external power supply just about all the time and
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> tiny Radio Shack hand-held TV and the Sony ICF-7600GR
> SW radio, so I'm getting multiple uses from that
> accessory.
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> 73, Will
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984. Re: The Curse of the Frozen Radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-10 13:55:03 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 980 Message: 984

John,

Software lockups fll into two main categories; Frequent or Extremely Infrequent. Generally, if a radio locks up, say once a year or less it is probably ok, but if it freezes up with any regularity, as you are reporting, something is amiss that should not happen.

The only thing that can play a big part here is static electricity. I don't' know where you are located, but here in Northeastern USA out winters are extremely dry, and static electricity indoors is a serious problem. You are continually zapping the radio with static bursts as you handle it and use it, especially if you are moving around a lot. Some radios may be more sensitive than others to this static without being truly defective. Unless you are in a relatively humid climate you should take some steps to minimize static the radio has to deal with. Unless you can control the humidity, such as with a humidifier, you should try to discharge any static charges you have accumulated on your body prior to touching the radio. You can discharge the static by pressing your hand firmly against almost any large solid surface. Of course metal is ideal so if you are near something that is grounded you can touch that first to discharged. But even a regular old wall will conduct enough at these potentials it just takes a few seconds. Just press your hand against the wall for 3-5seconds and you'll see when you touch the radio...no zap.

That might solve your immediate problem.

Jay

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985. big batteries crash hard?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-16 16:22:06 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 985 Message: 985

I bought some large capacity batteries off the net a few weeks ago. They seem to crash hard. I mean that I will look at the battery indicator and I got 8 or 9 bars. A half hour later the radio is shutting off cause the batteries are dead. The batteries that shipped with the radio seem to have a much more gentle slope when discharging.

Anybody else notice this?

regards,
NEO

986. Re: big batteries crash hard?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-17 17:03:14 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 985 Message: 986

Seemingly either your "large capacity batteries" are defective or intensionally MIS-labeled as large capacity ! Otherwise you may not charge them sufficiently -- to their "full" capacity --- before puting them in the DE1103. Please keep in mind the larger the capacity the longer the time to fully charge them . On the otherhand after using them for awhile take all out and measure each battery's voltage one by one. (A defective one will shown less than 1 volts -- or even "Zero" volts !) Hope it helps.

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> regards,
> NEO
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987. Re: big batteries crash hard?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-17 19:36:03 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 985 Message: 987

http://tinyurl.com/2xr55h

Here is a graph for AA cells in various chemistries. Alcaline batteries have the most gentle slope. NiMH batteries usually run near full capacity and then die off quickly. The Degen 1300 mAh I have die off pretty much the same as the Powerex 2300 mAh batteries, but they don't last nearly as long.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "yzordderrex2003" <yzordderrex2003@...>
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988. Re: big batteries crash hard?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-18 10:47:26 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 985 Message: 988

Interesting material. Assuming you created these graphs yourself,
what was the test setup..specifically the load or current drain?

Thanks,
Jay

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nash" <nash2042004@...> wrote:
>
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> batteries have the most gentle slope. NiMH batteries usually run
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> > regards,
> > NEO
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989. Re: big batteries crash hard?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-18 15:33:55 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 985 Message: 989

No, I didn't create this graph. I just posted the link.

When you view the graph, there is a link in light blue just above
saying "please read how these tests were done".

Nash

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jallenhartford2000" <jaypolicow@...>
wrote:
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990. Using the DE 1103 as Test Equipment

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-18 17:15:25 UTC
From: John Kinnunen
Topic: 990 Message: 990

Greetings to all,

I have somewhat a strange Question. I have a DE 1103 and want to use it to align a new CW Transceiver I am building. Case in point is the 15 MHz oscillator. Here is what I have done so far. I have a generator that I can set to exactly 15 MHz. I put the antenna of the 1103 buy the generator and set the Freq. at 15 MHz on the radio. Then I adjust the Fine adjustment until I zero beet the sound. Without readjusting the radio I move it so the antenna is close to the new transceiver and adjust the 15 MHz. oscillator to also zero beet. I think I am doing everything right with this method, but my question is.

Is the Fine adjustment exactly the same as a BFO or is or is this just a fine freq. adjustment and there is no BFO setting or what?

This is a method that was stated in the manual of the CW Transceiver, however, the only radio I have that comes close to having a variable BFO is the DE 1103.

Any help in this mater would be very much appreciated.

John Kinnunen
KB0ADD

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991. Re: [de1103] Using the DE 1103 as Test Equipment

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-18 18:06:16 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 990 Message: 991

----- Original Message -----
From: John Kinnunen
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, March 18, 2007 5:15 PM
Subject: [de1103] Using the DE 1103 as Test Equipment

Greetings to all,

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The fine adjustment is a conventional BFO, at the second IF of 450 kHz.

Leon

992. Re: Using the DE 1103 as Test Equipment

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-19 11:57:39 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 990 Message: 992

Your method will work fine. using SSb mode will allow you to get the 15 MHz setting right on. Fine tuning the oscillator's frequency is similar to fine tuning SSB.

jay

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, John Kinnunen <kb0add@...> wrote:
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> KB0ADD
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993. New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-20 08:19:25 UTC
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343 Message: 993

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the de1103
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File : /200703061018_newpreselektor.jpg
Uploaded by : krysatec <krysatec@...>
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Regards,

krysatec <krysatec@...>

994. Re: Preamp FET Replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-25 05:27:54 UTC
From: allesharo
Topic: 48 Message: 994

-I have a weak Q1 in my 1103 after a couple weeks use. When out of
the box the sensitivity was unbelieveable. I hope to get the
performance back up to par.. I am tryin to get the main board
liberated from the case. My unit has the board, connectors, and
knobs somewhat sandwiched into the case with no obvious relief for
removal. I am wondering how this was done by you guys who have done
it. Certainly you didn't bow the board to get it out?
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-- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
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> > > ourselves before we touch them?
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995. Re: Preamp FET Replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-25 22:14:04 UTC
From: allesharo
Topic: 48 Message: 995

Opps! I guess I didn't see the removable panel on the side of the
plastic box. I got it out....
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996. memory of 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-25 22:20:43 UTC
From: koreish
Topic: 996 Message: 996

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997. Re: [de1103] memory of 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-26 12:02:43 UTC
From: Thad Larson
Topic: 996 Message: 997

12 memories are used for each band. One per band - to remember the frequency that you programmed before moving to another band. Not sure what the last memory is - unless the radio goes to FF...?

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998. Re: [de1103] memory of 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-30 09:59:34 UTC
From: sakr koreish
Topic: 996 Message: 998

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999. 1103 sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-30 10:04:51 UTC
From: sakr koreish
Topic: 999 Message: 999

hi group
what is more sensitive kaito 1103 or eton e5 ?
thank you

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1000. Re: 1103 sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-30 20:02:35 UTC
From: a1aopr
Topic: 999 Message: 1000

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1001. Re: 1103 sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-31 00:04:39 UTC
From: Tarheel
Topic: 999 Message: 1001

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1002. Re: [de1103] memory of 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-31 13:32:26 UTC
From: Thad Larson
Topic: 996 Message: 1002

That should not happen. The screw that allows the antenna to pivot should stay in place. If you have the screw and it continues to fall out, consider Loc-Tite (Thread Locker) or Super Glue to secure the screw to the thread. What could be happening is the screw is turned when you move the antenna around. If the screw is not secure, then the movement will allow the friction to turn the screw.

If you use this method (Loc-Tite), do not tighten TOO much. Loc-Tite can be found at automotive stores. If it not available near you, find a similar non-permanent adhesive for screws. Super Glue may not adhere as well to metal as well as Loc-Tite. And it is not as soft. Loc-Tite allows you to change the screw easier while it cures.

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1003. Re: memory of 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-03-31 23:33:15 UTC
From: a1aopr
Topic: 996 Message: 1003

I'm not sure locking that screw in place would be a good idea. If you ever have to change out the antenna, you're literally 'screwed', pun intended. I was having an intermittant problem with my 1102. I kept taking it apart cleaning it with De-Oxit and screwing it back together. After about three times of doing this (the problem kept coming back, and I just love resetting the MW spacing and the time format in the nano-second after you put the batteries in), I deceided to try some thing different. I went through my junk box and found a tiny lock washer (the kind with external feet) and slipped that between the washer with the antenna connection and the antenna itself. It took some patience, but I eventually got it. It seems to be working so far. Jerry.
--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Thad Larson <highwayman_33402@...> wrote:
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1004. Re: [de1103] Re: memory of 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-01 00:42:47 UTC
From: Thad Larson
Topic: 996 Message: 1004

Don't forget - there are two screws on the antenna.

I guess I should have been more specific about non-permanent. Thread Locker (222) is low strength, removable thread locker. I would recommend Loc-Tite over SuperGlue for this application any day, but some people might be a little reluctant to buy a specific adhesive. I am not sure of its over-seas availability.

To be thorough, a lock washer would be a good choice for mounting the antenna to the radio wire. It would pervent the screw from backing out. The pivot of the antenna, however, is a part that moves. Securing the screw threads to the stationary part allows the rest of the antenna to pivot without the screw backing out. I believe that koreish was refering to the second one, but felt the need to comment on both, just in case.

SIDE NOTE _ Here is a hint for screws in plastic: When you tighten the radio back up, turn the screw counter-clockwise until you feel the screw drop slightly. Then turn the screw clockwise. This allows the screw threads to follow the cut threads in the plastic. This method allows you to open and close the radio numerous times.

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1005. Re: memory of 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-01 16:47:08 UTC
From: allesharo
Topic: 996 Message: 1005

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Thad Larson <highwayman_33402@...>
wrote:
>
This post is interesting only because I just finished re-assembling
my 1103 after replacing Q1. The whip antenna should have two copper
washers installed sandwiching the moveable antenna flange before it
is slipped into the pivot posts. The screw does not turn. In fact
it has no force on it. Its only purpose is to preload the
springyness of the pivot posts. I lost one of these copper washers
and could not get the antenna tentioned tight enough to keep the
antenna from wabeling around. You NEED these two washers. IF you
have lost one or both then you will have to get creative and
replace with something else suitable to take up the space..
Good luck,
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1006. outdoor antenna.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-01 14:28:29 UTC
From: profilenameistaken30
Topic: 1006 Message: 1006

Does anyone have any thoughts on building an outdoor antenna and soldering the connection to 1/8 inch audio plug. There are obvious concerns with overload and static. Not being able to afford a high end table top receiver I would like to get more dx than the 1103 and ka33 active antenna allow.
thanks.

1007. Re: memory of 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-01 22:13:40 UTC
From: a1aopr
Topic: 996 Message: 1007

Thanks Thad for the screw in plastic case tip. As far as the Thread Locker 222, I've seen it on Amazon . A 6ml bottle goes for $5.49. It is a good idea for that pivot screw, especially on the larger portables when they inevitably start flopping around like on my ATS 803 and always hitting me in the head. So far my 1102 has been ok and my 1103s haven't had any antenna problems. I think the Loc-Tite will be worth a try if they do. Jerry.
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1008. Re: [de1103] outdoor antenna.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-01 23:57:09 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1006 Message: 1008

My only experience is using a 15-meter (about
50-foot) randomwire antenna (height about 3
meters or 10 feet, suburban area), connected
directly to the antenna jack of the receiver.
Despite the frequent claims about saturation of
the front-end of the receiver, I did not
experience any noticeable problems. My receiver
is a Degen DE-1103 Mk IV, may be this version has
an enhanced front-end but I don't know.

As to protection for static charges I have
installed a couple of 1N14148 silicon diodes
(connected in anti-parallel) between center and
sleeve (ground) of a 3.5-mm (1/8") miniplug. Tha
plug is connected first to the receiver, and then
the external antenna is connected to the plug via
a bananna jack and plug. This arrangement should
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in the external antenna, as the voltage between
"live" and ground if the antenna input is limited
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but the results were poor so I abandoned it.

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interesting to experiment, include different
antenna transformers and a continuous attenuator (i.e. a potentiometer)

Besides that, while at home in the city I use a
chinese TG-34 SW/MW active-loop antenna which
provides a reasonable enhancement in sensitivity
for several bands (mainly 49 to 19 m)

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At 11:28 01/04/2007, you wrote:

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Moisés Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

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1009. Re: [de1103] outdoor antenna.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-02 00:16:38 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1006 Message: 1009

Mmm... I use 25 m of longwire and overload is present if a balun is not inserted.
Moises, are you sure the FET at the frontend of your radio is OK?
As you know, I experienced the FET being burnt by a nearby lightning,
and the receiver didn't silence completely, but there was an obvious decrease of
sensitivity. I'm starting to think that maybe the unit you bought already
could have the FET out of order. Maybe I'm wrong, but your comments
now make me think about this possibility.

In my case, I need not only a 9:1 balun but had to add a second ferrite bar
transformer to have a better match. This means my unit is much more sensitive
than mine?

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1010. Re: [de1103] outdoor antenna.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-02 00:55:44 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1006 Message: 1010
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Yes Horacio, I share your doubts, and as I told
you once it would be interesting to compare your
receiver with mine side by side - this is an invitation :-)

As to the 9:1 balun, I was surprised about its
meager performance with both DE-1103 and Sony
ICF-7600DS receivers, but of course there is the
possibility that mine was poorly built - patience
is not one of my virtues :-) :-)

Also may be I am a bit too tolerant about birdies
and other symptoms of front-end overload. Only
experimentation could take us closer to the truth.

73,
Moisés

At 21:16 01/04/2007, you wrote:

>Mmm... I use 25 m of longwire and overload is
>present if a balun is not inserted.
>Moises, are you sure the FET at the frontend of your radio is OK?
>As you know, I experienced the FET being burnt by a nearby lightning,
>and the receiver didn't silence completely, but
>there was an obvious decrease of
>sensitivity. I'm starting to think that maybe the unit you bought already
>could have the FET out of order. Maybe I'm wrong, but your comments
>now make me think about this possibility.
>
>In my case, I need not only a 9:1 balun but had to add a second ferrite bar
>transformer to have a better match. This means my unit is much more sensitive
>than mine?
>
>Horacio Nigro
>Montevideo, Uruguay
>
>Moisés Knochen <moises.knochen@...> escribió:
>My only experience is using a 15-meter (about
>50-foot) randomwire antenna (height about 3
>meters or 10 feet, suburban area), connected
>directly to the antenna jack of the receiver.
>Despite the frequent claims about saturation of
>the front-end of the receiver, I did not
>experience any noticeable problems. My receiver
>is a Degen DE-1103 Mk IV, may be this version has

>an enhanced front-end but I don't know.
>
>As to protection for static charges I have
>installed a couple of 1N14148 silicon diodes
>(connected in anti-parallel) between center and
>sleeve (ground) of a 3.5-mm (1/8") miniplug. Tha
>plug is connected first to the receiver, and then
>the external antenna is connected to the plug via
>a bananna jack and plug. This arrangement should
>provide protection for static charges accumulated
>in the external antenna, as the voltage between
>"live" and ground if the antenna input is limited
>by the diodes to about 0.6 Volts. However it will
>not protect the telescopic antenna.
>
>Also it will not provide protection against
>lightning, but that is an entirely different matter.
>
>I also tried a 9:1 "magnetic" balun transformer
>but the results were poor so I abandoned it.
>
>Enhancements that I did not try but would be
>interesting to experiment, include different
>antenna transformers and a continuous attenuator (i.e. a potentiometer)
>
>Besides that, while at home in the city I use a
>chinese TG-34 SW/MW active-loop antenna which
>provides a reasonable enhancement in sensitivity
>for several bands (mainly 49 to 19 m)
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1011. Re: Has Kaito Solved The 1103 Tuning Wheel Problem ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-02 21:27:34 UTC
From: viethkurt
Topic: 903 Message: 1011

Hello to the group

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Perhaps this may help too.

Note:
No german radio dealer is supporting parts/help if the radio is
bought direct in China. The official importer is checking the serial
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Regards to the group

Kurt Vieth

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> website and there are quite a few complaints about the jog dial.
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> > a particular batch of radios that are experiencing this problem
or a
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would

> > ask)? I really like the line-out feature on this radio, and it
> > does have other nice features and excellent reception. But I
don't
> > want to buy another defective 1103... Thanks
> >
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1012. Re: [de1103] Re: Has Kaito Solved The 1103 Tuning Wheel Problem ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-02 23:41:24 UTC
From: Thad Larson
Topic: 903 Message: 1012

Kurt,
How long has your ALPS encoder been working? I too, used a shortened ALPS encoder, but my de1103 still freezes once in a while. I am still debating the cause of it and I won't know until I run some wires from the encoder connector to the outside. When I get around to it...

I bought my radio in July 05, so it probably qualifies as an older de1103.

Thad

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1013. Re: [de1103] Re: Has Kaito Solved The 1103 Tuning Wheel Problem ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-03 00:14:47 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 903 Message: 1013

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Regards,

Moises

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1014. Re: [de1103] Re: Has Kaito Solved The 1103 Tuning Wheel Problem ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-03 01:23:15 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1014 Message: 1014

----- Original Message -----
From: "Mois?s Knochen" <moises.knochen@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 03, 2007 1:14 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Has Kaito Solved The 1103 Tuning Wheel Problem ?

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1015. RE: [de1103] Re: Has Kaito Solved The 1103 Tuning Wheel Problem ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-03 06:17:17 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1014 Message: 1015

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Degen has the ALPS also.

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From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Leon
Sent: Monday, April 02, 2007 9:23 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Has Kaito Solved The 1103 Tuning Wheel Problem ?

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From: "Moisés Knochen" <moises.knochen@ <mailto:moises.knochen%40gmail.com>
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1016. Re: [de1103] Re: Has Kaito Solved The 1103 Tuning Wheel Problem ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-03 19:01:40 UTC
From: Vieth Kurt
Topic: 1014 Message: 1016

Hello,
fine, that there is interest to this.

Regarding to the discussion, i try to give some answers:

-My DE1103 is from August 2005 (from Liypn on ebay/china), (Thad Larson bought in July 2005 from Degen direct)
-the encoder has an aluminium axle,
-the encoder is labeled with something like an "S"
-I tried to repair/clean the part three times. There were many silikon grease inside. After the first time it runs some weeks. After the third repair the little "fingers" gets smooth from bending. After this third time in a section of 90° turning the encoder was jumping between two numbers (7-8-7-8-...) and i gave up.
-My intention was to get a spare part. From German dealers my comment yesterday. ALPS encoder normally minimum package 1000 units... So the Conrad-Shop is known in europe (www.conrad.com). But they have only the version with the long axle (comment see yesterday). If someone is interested in technical details it is possible there to download the data sheet (for our file section??). (www.conrad.biz then in the field "suchen" the part number 700698-29 and then "Datenblatt") and it must be possible.
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-I exchanged the encoder original against ALPS last week, So i have no longtime experience (but I'am lucky that this lovely small radio is working perfect again...)

It is simple to exchange this part:
-open the housing at the antenna side only 3cm,
-white flat cable out of the socket,
-cable to the encoder out of the socket, solder away the ground line
-open the housing complet
-loosen the nut on the encoder axle
-carefully bending with a small pliers the plastic housing and take out the encoder (it is no need to disassamble any pc board from the housing)
-soldering the three lines to the new encoder and reassembling.

1) I can not answer when the plastic axle encoder started in production.
It would be fine, when our member Tquchina would give an answer.

2) I don't know eather if the electrical contacts/electrical data to new and old encoder were similar. Tquchina says on his ebaypage: not identic, but is it possible for someone in the group to lay a photo of the new encoder in the file section? Or could someone analyse the technical difference? Who has both DE1103 versions,open them and make photos in comparison?

3) I don't know, if the new "black-plastic-axle-encoder" in the DE1103 are more stable.

Perhaps some of my answers seems for some insiders a little bit idiotic, but it seems for me too, that this spare part was difficult to get (until yesterday...).
I do my best, but please appologise my simple english.

Best regards - let's have an interesting discussion!

Kurt Vieth

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Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Has Kaito Solved The 1103 Tuning Wheel Problem ?

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1017. Re: [de1103] Re: Has Kaito Solved The 1103 Tuning Wheel Problem ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-04 01:47:57 UTC
From: Thad Larson
Topic: 1014 Message: 1017

I just placed two general views of the old jog dial.
Files \ Jog Dial Internals

I figured that the externals should be added so that you know which internals go with which encoder. I don't have the encoder used by the newer de1103.

I also used the ALPS ec11 type encoder. The type that you used looks like a better alternative than what Alps has here. In the states, the ALPS datasheet shows vertical encoders WITHOUT threads. The horizontal ones have threads, but I was overly-cautious about something shorting out.

Thad

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1018. Does your DE31MS work?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-03 14:09:08 UTC
From: lgpond
Topic: 1018 Message: 1018

I got a DE31MS with a DE1103. It really doesn't do much. The tuning wheel and the on/off switch do not seem to make any difference. I tried it with a RS 399 and I get SW reception similar to a wire attached to the external antenna jack with a 1/8" plug. How does your DE31MS work?
Ron

1019. Re: big batteries crash hard?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-04 22:50:26 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 985 Message: 1019

Thanks Nash.

That's exactly what I was looking for. I think the battery
indicator must be calibrated for the alkaline types with a gentler
curve.

Yzordderrex

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nash" <nash2042004@...> wrote:
>
> No, I didn't create this graph. I just posted the link.
>
> When you view the graph, there is a link in light blue just above
> saying "please read how these tests were done".
>
> Nash
>
>
>
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jallenhartford2000" <jaypolicow@>
> wrote:
> >
> > Interesting material. Assuming you created these graphs
yourself,
> > what was the test setup..specifically the load or current drain?
> >
> > Thanks,
> > Jay
> >
> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nash" <nash2042004@> wrote:
> > >
> > > http://tinyurl.com/2xr55h
> > >
> > > Here is a graph for AA cells in various chemistries. Alcaline
> > > batteries have the most gentle slope. NiMH batteries usually
run
> > near
> > > full capacity and then die off quickly. The Degen 1300 mAh I
have
> > die
> > > off pretty much the same as the Powerex 2300 mAh batteries,
but
> > they
> > > don't last nearly as long.
> > >

> > >
> > > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "yzordderrex2003"
<yzordderrex2003@>
> > > wrote:
> > > >
> > > > I bought some large capacity batteries off the net a few
weeks
> > ago.
> > > > They seem to crash hard. I mean that I will look at the
battery
> > > > indicator and I got 8 or 9 bars. A half hour later the
radio is
> > > > shutting off cause the batteries are dead. The batteries
that
> > shipped
> > > > with the radio seem to have a much more gentle slope when
> > discharging.
> > > > >
> > > > Anybody else notice this?
> > > > >
> > > > regards,
> > > > NEO
> > > > >
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1020. Re: Has Kaito Solved The 1103 Tuning Wheel Problem ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-05 22:23:56 UTC
From: yurajohn
Topic: 1014 Message: 1020

Josh is correct!!!

I got my 1103 from Tquchina last month, it has the plastic axle. So I
believe the metal encoder in his list is for old verion 1103!!!

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
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1021. Re: Does your DE31MS work?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-11 22:47:54 UTC
From: gls_44
Topic: 1018 Message: 1021

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "lgpond" <littlegreenpond@...> wrote:
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same thing. With shortwave it definately works better than a plain wire
and you should easily be able to tell when the tuning wheel is tuned
right for each wavelength.
AM is a different story. The nearest AM station to me is over 110
miles and the antenna just pulls in more static, but I can still tell
when the tuning wheel is tuned because the static gets much louder.
Sounds to me like you have a broken connection somewhere in your unit.

1022. New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-12 08:02:46 UTC
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343 Message: 1022

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Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the de1103
group.

File : /antenna.ZIP
Uploaded by : krysatec <krysatec@...>
Description : My modification of mini-whip and preselector

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http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/antenna.ZIP

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/files

Regards,

krysatec <krysatec@...>
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1023. NM-139?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-14 15:38:59 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1023 Message: 1023

eBay seller tquchina is selling some spares for
the DE-1103 radio, such as telescopic antenna,
folding back stand and replacement encoder, as
has been discussed previously here. Now that
store is also selling a NM-139 module, advertised
as "NM-139 AM IF / SSB BONDING IC". It is small
piece of printed circuit board with (apparently
from the picture) two active components and little else.

I wonder whether that part is prone to
failure, perhaps somebody can tell us if he/she
has had some problem with it? So far I hve never
read reports of electronic failures besides fried Q1s or bad encoders.

Regards,

Moisés Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

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1024. kk1012 schematic

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-17 03:44:50 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1024 Message: 1024

This is a VERY cheap down sized DE1103 look alikes(analog tunings) It was sold under various names (e.g. Honeywell, ...) Price is no more than $10 (yes under $10 !) Can any one has the info/schematic so that I can learn why they made Night_and_day performance defference between each others?
Thanks.

1025. total newbie question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-22 02:27:04 UTC
From: janaforian
Topic: 1025 Message: 1025

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1026. Re: [de1103] total newbie question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-04-22 06:20:08 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1025 Message: 1026

Just run it out a window, up the wall. Experiment as to where is the best reception.....

----- Original Message -----
From: janaforian
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, April 21, 2007 10:27 PM
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1027. The KA1103 is the real deal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-02 03:25:44 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1027 Message: 1027

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1028. Re: The KA1103 is the real deal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-02 20:10:44 UTC
From: Tarheel
Topic: 1027 Message: 1028

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As much as I hate to admit it the DE1103/KA1103 does blow the DX-398
out of the water off the whip. The DX-398 has allot of bells and
whistles to play with that the 1103 does not have. But as far as
reception it is with out a doubt the best for the money out there
right now. When I first got it I thought I would hate the ergonomics
but It's not nearly as bad as some say, it just takes a little getting
use to, I would even go on to say that I actually like the fake analog
look, it takes me back in time when I was so-called DX'ing when I was
a kid. My major complaint with my radio is I hear a little chirping
when using the tuning knob relatively fast, especially on the MW band,
there is a mod for that I think.

1029. Frequency Range

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-02 18:03:19 UTC
From: Sam McLauchlan
Topic: 1029 Message: 1029

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8000 kHz. How do you tune in long wave or 8000 kHz stations? It's got me baffled. Any help would be appreciated. Thanks.

Sam

1030. RE: [de1103] Frequency Range

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-03 05:38:40 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1029 Message: 1030

Just enter the freq you want... It's there.

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Sam McLauchlan
Sent: Wednesday, May 02, 2007 2:03 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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1031. Re: [de1103] Frequency Range

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-03 08:30:49 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1029 Message: 1031

----- Original Message -----
From: Joshua Everett
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, May 03, 2007 6:38 AM
Subject: RE: [de1103] Frequency Range

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You have to enter those frequencies directly with the keypad.

Leon
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Leon Heller
Amateur radio call-sign G1HSM
Yaesu FT-817ND transceiver
Suzuki SV1000S motorcycle
leon355@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller

1032. Anyone use the lineout to connect to a computer soundcard?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-03 16:49:33 UTC
From: abizarlakdawalla
Topic: 1032 Message: 1032

Hi, want to use the DE1103 with radio software. Has anyone tried using
the line out signal from the de1103 to read CW, RTTY, DRM, etc.
through software? Which software did you use?
With thanks in advance,
Abizar

1033. TG 35 Antenna ... and reviews...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-03 17:49:18 UTC
From: leopeppeblues
Topic: 1033 Message: 1033

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1034. Re: Anyone use the lineout to connect to a computer soundcard?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-04 00:31:02 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1032 Message: 1034

Try this review from Monitoring Times:

http://www.monitoringtimes.com/mtfirstlook-kaito1103.pdf

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1035. Re: TG 35 Antenna ... and reviews...

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Date: 2007-05-05 17:01:40 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 1033 Message: 1035

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1036. Re: TG 35 Antenna ... and reviews...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-05 18:07:36 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1033 Message: 1036

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1037. Re: [de1103] Re: TG 35 Antenna ... and reviews...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-05 18:38:09 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 1033 Message: 1037

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- tquchina

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1038. Re: TG 35 Antenna ... and reviews...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-06 14:07:44 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 1033 Message: 1038

Tao,

I appreciate your comments...in fact (for the benefit of those here) we have discussed this privately already. I have a few comments to follow up.

1 & 2) I did refer to the shielded building use for this antenna. In that regard it is similar to placing your radio in the window and for that purpose it works decently.I also agree that remote placement can be a benefit, but with a portable radio you may already have that capability. I generally am or enthusiastic about antennas that can improve the reception of an already good radio, such as the ANLP-2 for SW and teh C.Crane Twin Coil for AM. IF remote placement in a window in a shielded building is the ONLY objective for an external antenna it generally is not received too enthusiastically by many users. Most of us liek extenral antennas that provide more signal to nosie ratio than what our radios give unaided.

3) With regards to the solar charging with computer USB charging as a backup I don't see why this is preferable to a DC input jack and adapter for recharging and use. Certainly anyone who has a PC also has an AV source to plug in a charger. In my case, if the unit has no power the ONLY option is to connect it to a PC which si much less portable than an AC adapter which is a severe limitation on where I can use it. If it simply had a DC input jack ADDED to the current design it would be much more convenient in a variety of situations.

Finally, I appreciate that Degen has some very excellent designers...the DE1103 for example proves that. There are several Degen radios I own and enjoy but that is not enough reason to like the TG35 in its current form. If its RF performance could be imporved just a bit more and if it had a DC input jack (in addition to or INSTEAD of the PC USB interface I think it would have more value for many of us. But these are just my opinions...I cannot speak for the world wide market.

Thans for your comments...I do look forward to new products from Degen.

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1039. Re: TG 35 Antenna ... and reviews...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-06 16:21:10 UTC
From: leopeppeblues
Topic: 1033 Message: 1039

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for de31 I've found an interesting post here --->
http://www.drmrx.org/forum/showthread.php?t=1210

If I would a really good antenna I should get a LA5030 Wellbrook ...
but it's really expansive...

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de31 is only for shortwave, while DE31MS also for medium wave...

Leo

1040. Re: TG 35 Antenna ... and reviews...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-06 16:27:00 UTC
From: leopeppeblues
Topic: 1033 Message: 1040

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1041. Re: TG 35 Antenna ... and reviews...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-07 18:05:24 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 1033 Message: 1041

That may be expecting a bit too much...the Welbrooks are excellent antennas but cost considerably more than these Degens...not a fair comparison at all.

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1042. Re: [de1103] Re: TG 35 Antenna ... and reviews...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-07 18:31:19 UTC
From: Leo78
Topic: 1033 Message: 1042
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1043. Re: TG 35 Antenna ... and reviews...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-08 01:37:37 UTC
From: Theo
Topic: 1033 Message: 1043

But if they work. as they're supposed to work?

Then surely cost is relative.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jallenhartford2000" <jaypolicow@...>
wrote:
>
> That may be expecting a bit too much...the Welbrooks are excellent
> antennas but cost considerably more than these Degens...not a fair
> comparison at all.
>
> Jay
>
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "leopeppeblues" <leo78leo@> wrote:
> >
> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Tao Qu <tquchina@> wrote:
> >
> > > Anyway, we got the different new feedback from worldwide and all
> > these >information are very important and helpful for us in the
> > upcoming TG36 >desktop active loop antenna, at least we change the
> > recharge mode and >add the new functions on it, we spent about six
> > monthes on it already, >we hope it is more better and can be online
> > asap. So we really highly >appreciate your comments and suggestions!
> >
> > This is really interesting... well... I think that the point of
> > reference are the wellbrook antennas... If the performance are
> similar
> > to these antennas... the TG36 will be the reference Antenna... it
> > should be good if instead of whip you could use a loop (70-100 cm for
> > example...)
> >
>

1044. Replaced Jog Dial Encoder

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-08 16:51:35 UTC
From: yrag4931
Topic: 1044 Message: 1044

I have one of the first 1103's and it was becoming nearly unusable due to the erratic encoder.I have repaired many old transistor radios,so I decided to tackle the encoder replacement.There were two problems for me to overcome:
1.Getting the old encoder out.Due to nearby components the encoder must be removed by pulling it straight up.I snipped and removed a small piece of plastic from the mounting bracket(directly above encoder shaft).There is still plenty of the bracket left to securely hold the new part.
2.Stripping the insulation from the tiny wires in order to solder them. I have wire stripping tools but none to strip such a tiny guage of wire. I also knew from past experience not to use a knife or razor knife because you lose a strand or more of wire in the process.Yes,these tiny wires were stranded,not solid.I almost gave up on this obstacle and just make this a parts radio.Problem solved by burning the insulation away with a cigarette lighter!
Soldering the wires onto the new encoder was much easier than anticipated.The hardest part was holding the wires steady until the solder cooled and became solid.
I bought the new encoder from our old friend Tao Qu and would like to thank him for making this part available.
P.S.
I realize this project could have been done with a lot more finesse,better tools,more time and much more disassembling.But,hey it worked!

1045. Re: TG 35 Antenna ... and reviews...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-08 19:40:19 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1033 Message: 1045

Yet we need to judge if those extra $ invested is still worth the improvment that deserved.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Theo" <theod438@...> wrote:
>
> But if they work. as they're supposed to work?
>
> Then surely cost is relative.
>

1046. Has anyone measured the current draw?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-08 21:19:14 UTC
From: jdhardin449
Topic: 1046 Message: 1046

I'd like to know how much current the 1103 uses when powered by the stock 1300 maH batteries. It's a little tricky getting a sandwich of aluminum foil/waxed paper/aluminum foil between the batteries (my usual method). I will use this to calculate when and how long to recharge. Am I correct...the stock charger is current limited at 100 ma?

1047. Re: Has anyone measured the current draw?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-08 22:18:58 UTC
From: tantywee
Topic: 1046 Message: 1047

Interesting exercise, how do you plan to calculate the actual charge duration required? Since you are measuring, could you measure it under different drain conditions, such as backlight on/off, volume at 10/20/30/40 etc.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jdhardin449" <jdh449@...> wrote:
>
> I'd like to know how much current the 1103 uses when powered by the
> stock 1300 maH batteries. It's a little tricky getting a sandwich of
> aluminum foil/waxed paper/aluminum foil between the batteries (my usual
> method). I will use this to calculate when and how long to recharge. Am
> I correct...the stock charger is current limited at 100 ma?
>

1048. Re: Has anyone measured the current draw?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-09 04:02:20 UTC
From: jdhardin449
Topic: 1046 Message: 1048

I use the radio for SW , on the internal speaker, with the volume at
about 12, telescopic antenna, no backlight.
To answer how I would use the information... if it usually draws say
300 ma and I use it for an hour, I would need to charge it for 3 hours,
(assuming the charger provides 100 ma) to get back to the same energy
in the battery I started with.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "tantywee" <tantywee@...> wrote:
>
> Interesting exercise, how do you plan to calculate the actual charge
> duration required? Since you are measuring, could you measure it under
> different drain conditions, such as backlight on/off, volume at
> 10/20/30/40 etc.
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jdhardin449" <jdh449@> wrote:
> >
> > I'd like to know how much current the 1103 uses when powered by the
> > stock 1300 maH batteries. It's a little tricky getting a sandwich
of
> > aluminum foil/waxed paper/aluminum foil between the batteries (my
usual
> > method). I will use this to calculate when and how long to
recharge. Am
> > I correct...the stock charger is current limited at 100 ma?
> >
>

1049. help with FM frequency tuning step

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-10 17:33:36 UTC
From: Amogh Desai
Topic: 1049 Message: 1049

hi im using DE1103 for a month now..
but i see tht the tuning frequency of FM goes up eithr bt 0.2 or 0.3 MHz
i.e if im at 93.50 MHz >> if i start tuning upwards it 1st goes to
93.52 then the next step is 93.55 .. i dont like tht
can i change it to linear 0.1 MHz tunning step???
plz help

1050. Re: help with FM frequency tuning step

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-10 18:30:37 UTC
From: nelson1379
Topic: 1049 Message: 1050

I believe that when it says "93.52" it actually means "93.525" and
"93.57" actually means "93.575." So the step is consistently 0.025.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Amogh Desai" <desai_amogh@...> wrote:
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> i.e if im at 93.50 MHz >> if i start tuning upwards it 1st goes to
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> can i change it to linear 0.1 MHz tunning step???
> plz help
>

1051. Re: [de1103] Re: help with FM frequency tuning step

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-11 04:47:41 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1049 Message: 1051

That is correct.

----- Original Message -----
From: nelson1379
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, May 10, 2007 11:30 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: help with FM frequency tuning step

I believe that when it says "93.52" it actually means "93.525" and
"93.57" actually means "93.575." So the step is consistently 0.025.
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1052. Fried

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-13 17:02:44 UTC
From: Joshua
Topic: 1052 Message: 1052

Please heed my warning! If you use an outside longwire antenna, unplug it everytime you are not using it. My radio now is a piece of crap. Lightning got it. FM works and thats it. 73 Josh

1053. Re: [de1103] Fried

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-13 17:10:48 UTC
From: MWBRYANT@aol.com
Topic: 1052 Message: 1053

In a message dated 5/13/2007 1:03:23 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time,
jbe123@... writes:

Please heed my warning! If you use an outside longwire antenna, unplug
it everytime you are not using it. My radio now is a piece of crap.
Lightning got it. FM works and thats it. 73 Josh

Yep, any radio needs to be disconnected even from a grounded external
antenna when there's lightning about. Sorry about your loss...

Mike

********** See what's free at http://www.aol.com.

1054. Re: Fried

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-13 20:28:58 UTC
From: Joshua
Topic: 1052 Message: 1054

Thanks Mike, I have a Kaito 1103 (old version) with defective
encoder. I am going to attempt to put the encoder from the Degen on
it. New Radio!! I might need a walk thru on
this..LOL --- In
de1103@yahoogroups.com, MWBRYANT@... wrote:
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> Yep, any radio needs to be disconnected even from a grounded
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>

1055. Re: [de1103] Re: Fried

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-13 20:36:01 UTC
From: MWBRYANT@aol.com
Topic: 1052 Message: 1055

In a message dated 5/13/2007 4:29:49 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time,
jbe123@... writes:

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encoder. I am going to attempt to put the encoder from the Degen on
it. New Radio!! I might need a walk thru on
this..LOL --- In

In addition to a walkthrough, I hope you've got good eyes, good patience and
good luck....

Mike

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1056. Re: [de1103] Re: Fried

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-13 21:59:58 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1052 Message: 1056

You got that right!!
----- Original Message -----
From: MWBRYANT@aol.com
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, May 13, 2007 3:36 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Fried

In a message dated 5/13/2007 4:29:49 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time, jbe123@... writes:
Thanks Mike, I have a Kaito 1103 (old version) with defective
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it. New Radio!! I might need a walk thru on
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In addition to a walkthrough, I hope you've got good eyes, good patience and good luck....

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1057. Re: Fried

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-14 00:40:38 UTC
From: tantywee
Topic: 1052 Message: 1057

I also had skipping encoder problem on my April 2004 unit until few months ago. It was fixed it by spraying 3M contact cleaner, with the tube-end of the spray pressed directly on the side crevices of the encoder. The general idea was to force some fluid into the encoder. Seemed to work OK after some vigorous spinning. It still skips a little bit but it's at least 90% better than it use to be.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua" <jbe123@...> wrote:
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> encoder. I am going to attempt to put the encoder from the Degen on
> it. New Radio!! I might need a walk thru on
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1058. Re: Fried

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-14 03:15:08 UTC
From: yrag4931
Topic: 1052 Message: 1058

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua" <jbe123@...> wrote:
>
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> encoder. I am going to attempt to put the encoder from the Degen on
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> > antenna when there's lightning about. Sorry about your loss...
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> >
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>
See the message 1044 I posted May 8 for a couple of tips on encoder
replacement.yrag4931

1059. Re: [de1103] Fried

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-14 04:48:20 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1052 Message: 1059

The Sony 2010 is also very susceptible to getting somewhat fried when lightning is out there. Fortunately out here in California we don't get much of it.

---- Joshua <jbe123@...> wrote:
> Please heed my warning! If you use an outside longwire antenna, unplug
> it everytime you are not using it. My radio now is a piece of crap.
> Lightning got it. FM works and thats it. 73 Josh

1060. Re: [de1103] Re: Fried

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-15 14:52:06 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1052 Message: 1060

Thanks for all your replies!
----- Original Message -----
From: yrag4931
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, May 13, 2007 10:15 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Fried

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua" <jbe123@...> wrote:
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1061. Re: [de1103] Re: Fried

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-15 16:40:01 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1052 Message: 1061

I would add: disconnect also the AC power supply for the receiver, besides the antenna.

Transient voltages are also a risk via the power lines.

Horacio
Uruguay

Joshua Everett <jbe123@...> escribi?:
Thanks for all your replies!
----- Original Message -----
From: yrag4931
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, May 13, 2007 10:15 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Fried

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Horacio Nigro
Montevideo

Uruguay

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1062. Re: [de1103] Re: Fried

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-15 21:36:10 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1052 Message: 1062

I agree Horacio, I only use batteries.....
----- Original Message -----
From: Horacio Nigro
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 15, 2007 11:40 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Fried

I would add: disconnect also the AC power supply for the receiver, besides the antenna.

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Horacio
Uruguay

Joshua Everett <jbe123@...> escribió:
Thanks for all your replies!
----- Original Message -----
From: yrag4931
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, May 13, 2007 10:15 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Fried

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua" <jbe123@...> wrote:
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1063. Re: Has anyone measured the current draw?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-16 14:35:37 UTC
From: old_speaker_guy
Topic: 1046 Message: 1063

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jdhardin449" <jdh449@...> wrote:
>
> To answer how I would use the information... if it usually draws say
> 300 ma and I use it for an hour, I would need to charge it for 3
hours,
> (assuming the charger provides 100 ma) to get back to the same energy
> in the battery I started with.
>

One fine point about charging batteries is that the process isn't 100
% efficient. You need to put in about 40% more ampere hours than you
had drained out. So in your example you would need to charge for 4.2
hours. I guess the rest goes into heating the Ether!

David Smith

1064. My DE1103 has arrived!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-17 15:45:49 UTC
From: Eric
Topic: 1064 Message: 1064

Hi All,

Just received my new DE1103 today. I am charging the batteries with an external battery charger and am thus running the radio from its supplied 220v power pack.

While I still have to explore the full functionality of the set, I must admit I'm a little disappointed with the FM performance of the radio, using the telescopic antenna. Here, I am comparing it to the performance of my Sony SW7600GR, also on the FM band with telescopic antenna. The Sony outperforms it on weak signals by far. I also do not find any difference in sensitivity with the Local/DX switch settings, so presume this is for AM use only.

Realising that the Sony costs nearly three times the price of the DE1103, am I expecting too much from this receiver?

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-Eric
That Guy in South Africa...
****
Vintage Tube Hobby Group:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vintage_tube/

****

1065. Re: [de1103] My DE1103 has arrived!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-18 02:41:53 UTC
From: k6yaz@aol.com
Topic: 1064 Message: 1065

I've had my 1103 for a couple of years and find that the FM performance is outstanding.

I live in Los Angeles, which has very crowded bands, but the selectivity and sensitivity of the 1103 is excellent. It certainly is better than my Sony 2010 receivers, and it's in stereo.

Stuart

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1066. Re: [de1103] My DE1103 has arrived!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-18 02:43:43 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1064 Message: 1066

My FM works better on the 1103. The 7600gr is tinny...
----- Original Message -----
From: Eric
To: DE1103 Forum
Sent: Thursday, May 17, 2007 11:45 AM
Subject: [de1103] My DE1103 has arrived!

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1067. Re: My DE1103 has arrived!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-18 05:17:16 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1064 Message: 1067

Tinny or weaker and tinny? I haven't compared the 7600GR and KA1103 on FM.

I just got a Degen DE31 active antenna and so far it's a disaster on the KA1103 and RS DX-398. It amplifies all right but seems to amplify the noise too and throws in more noise for good measure. I just got it today and haven't had a whole lot of time to play with it. It may be my location (one mile from three low power AM stations). At least I only paid $21 for it.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
>
> My FM works better on the 1103. The 7600gr is tinny...

1068. Re: [de1103] Re: My DE1103 has arrived!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-18 05:51:13 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1064 Message: 1068

Yes, you have to be patient with the tuning on that sucker.
----- Original Message -----
From: Dennis Gibson
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, May 18, 2007 1:17 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: My DE1103 has arrived!

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1069. Re: [de1103] My DE1103 has arrived!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-18 16:45:19 UTC
From: Eric
Topic: 1064 Message: 1069

Interesting replies, and they do boost my confidence in this radio.

Having now played a bit more now with the radio, I can report further on my findings. I was running it from the supplied power unit while the batteries were in an external charger. Had the radio on for a couple of hours running like this, and then switched off.

Later that evening, I switched the radio back on while still powered from the power-pack - and... nothing! I unplugged the power pack and refitted the batteries, but still nothing. The clock display had also locked.

Figuring my luck couldn't get any worse, I went to fetch a screwdriver to open the radio and look for a blown fuse or protection diode, I was not happy.

And then I noticed a teensy little hole on the front panel marked "Reset". A simple prod with a ball point pen restored life and my radio works fine again! I was not aware that my radio ran on M$ software...

I tried the FM band again, and the previously weak or non-existant stations came to life, using the telescopic antenna. The transmitters are flea-powered at around only 5kW and they are both transmitting from towers at a distance of 120Km over undulating countryside.

The radio is still new to me and I have to play around with it some more, but all in all, I am now happy with my eBay purchase!

Is it acceptable to power the radio from the supplied AC power pack without batteries? I figured my external charger would probably do a better (definitely quicker) job at charging the batteries.

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-Eric
That Guy in South Africa...
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>

1070. Degen DE31 active antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-19 06:03:43 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1070 Message: 1070

Does anyone out there have a Degen DE31 active antenna? Mine has arrived and the installation destructions are less than crystal clear. I need help interpreting the destructions.

1071. RE: [de1103] Degen DE31 active antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-19 11:55:41 UTC
From: Ken
Topic: 1070 Message: 1071

Sure, first hang the loop and extend the spreader. Connect the long cable between the loop and the controller. Install the batteries and make sure the power led shows the controller is powered. Connect the cable (the little rat tail on the controller) to the antenna jack on the radio. Tune in the shortwave station you want to listen to and then very slowly turn the tuning control on the controller. You should notice a definite "bump" in signal strength. Sometimes it is easiest to find the bump (or notch) where the antenna is resonate with the frequency you are listening to by tuning the radio up or down 10 or 15 khz to an empty frequency and then tune for max noise.

73, Ken -N5SWR
-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dennis Gibson
Sent: Saturday, May 19, 2007 2:04 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Degen DE31 active antenna

Does anyone out there have a Degen DE31 active antenna? Mine has arrived and the installation destructions are less than crystal clear. I need help interpreting the destructions.

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1072. headfone jack

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-20 16:03:08 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 1072 Message: 1072

My headfone jack doesn't turn on the speaker when i unplug the phones. The jack looks to be covered with a molded plastic piece. Can the jack be unsoldered and repaired? Has anyone done? Is there a site on web where I can get this part?

In either case - to fix or replace - it will have to be removed - so here I go.

regards,
NEO

1073. Re: [de1103] My DE1103 has arrived!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-20 16:06:55 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1064 Message: 1073

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Eric" <northcom@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, May 18, 2007 5:45 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] My DE1103 has arrived!

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> my findings. I was running it from the supplied power unit while the
> batteries were in an external charger. Had the radio on for a couple of
> hours running like this, and then switched off.
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> Later that evening, I switched the radio back on while still powered
> from the power-pack - and... nothing! I unplugged the power pack and
> refitted the batteries, but still nothing. The clock display had also
> locked.
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> Figuring my luck couldn't get any worse, I went to fetch a screwdriver
> to open the radio and look for a blown fuse or protection diode, I was
> not happy.
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> And then I noticed a teensy little hole on the front panel marked
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> works fine again! I was not aware that my radio ran on M$ software...
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> I tried the FM band again, and the previously weak or non-existant
> stations came to life, using the telescopic antenna. The transmitters
> are flea-powered at around only 5kW and they are both transmitting from
> towers at a distance of 120Km over undulating countryside.
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> The radio is still new to me and I have to play around with it some
> more, but all in all, I am now happy with my eBay purchase!
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> better (definitely quicker) job at charging the batteries.

My power supply makes reception very noisy, so I run it from batteries
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Suzuki SV1000S motorcycle
leon355@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller

1074. Re: [de1103] My DE1103 has arrived!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-20 17:12:07 UTC
From: MWBRYANT@aol.com
Topic: 1064 Message: 1074

In a message dated 5/20/2007 12:07:14 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time, leon355@... writes:

My power supply makes reception very noisy, so I run it from batteries charged from an external charger.

I find mine to be much more sensitive while using alkalines over the rechargeables. You are right the wall wart is too noisy for regular use.

Mike

********** See what's free at http://www.aol.com.

1075. Re: headfone jack

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-20 17:33:26 UTC
From: yzordderrex2003
Topic: 1072 Message: 1075

To answer my own question:

Switch portion fell apart in my hand when i took jack out, so I just hardwired speaker on. Ferrite bar was broke in half so I glued that back together too. Radio has taken a few nasty tumbles so I got to expect this. Plays like new now.

73
NEO

-- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "yzordderrex2003"
<yzordderrex2003@...> wrote:
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1076. Re: [de1103] My DE1103 has arrived!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-20 16:37:16 UTC
From: Eric
Topic: 1064 Message: 1076

Hi Leon,

I haven't tried it again solely on power pack, had a bit of a fright when the radio got a software lock the first time. SW reception using batteries is impressive, however.

-Eric
That Guy in South Africa...
****
Vintage Tube Hobby Group:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vintage_tube/

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1077. Reduced sensitivity?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-18 12:24:01 UTC
From: burtthecath16
Topic: 1077 Message: 1077

I recently picked up an 1103 from Weems Creek Solutions. Thus far, I've been quite pleased with the radio but have noticed that recently the sensitivity when using the whip antenna SEEMS less than when I first got the unit.

I've been comparing shortwave broadcasts with an old Sony ICF 4910 portable and the Sony (even though it's 20years old and very barebones) seems able to pick up anything the 1103 does (in the shortwave broadcast bands) and sometimes seems a little more sensitive.

With the 1103 whip antenna, I DO pick up ssb and cw signals, so it's not a case of no sensitivity; it just seems less than before.

Anyone else have this issue or are the bands just really crappy lately.

BTW, with the long wire attached, the radio is almost too sensitive.

Any ideas? Insights?

Thanks in advance,
Nick

1078. Re: My DE1103 has arrived!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-19 16:42:28 UTC
From: Gary Sargent
Topic: 1064 Message: 1078

I've had my several month old DE1103 lock up like this when switching sets of batteries (without the power adapter attached). Never as I've plugged/unplugged the power adapter (with batteries in the unit). Each time, the reset brought it back to life with no loss of the clock or memories. Now I just keep the rechargeable batteries in place. Other than this little glitch, this has been a very fine radio for the price.

1079. RE: [de1103] Reduced sensitivity?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-21 05:32:39 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1077 Message: 1079

Just use a simple balun on the longwire and or use a preselector with gain turned down. The MFJ 1045c is what I use.

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of burtthecath16
Sent: Friday, May 18, 2007 8:24 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Reduced sensitivity?

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1080. Re: Reduced sensitivity?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-21 17:41:59 UTC
From: gls_44
Topic: 1077 Message: 1080

Probably just the change in season, I got mine a few months ago and
the reception in the winter months is definately stronger on SW.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
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1081. Noise and the wall socket....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-21 19:33:17 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1081 Message: 1081

RFI is on the wall socket.
Is that logic? yes.
The rectifier in the AC/DC thing is making noise by himself.
Is that logic? yes.

one & one added togheter = use battery's.

Reg.: jan

1082. LW sensivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-21 19:43:07 UTC
From: D.Kremp
Topic: 1082 Message: 1082

Hi all,

I'm new in the group and comes for the 1st time.

I bought a DE1103 2 weeks ago and I must say I'm a bit desappointed about its sensivity on LW. I find it almost deaf. I don't hear any NDB (non directional beacon) at all, only the strong french stations. Even the german signal station DCF77 on 77,5 kHz and the british one MSF on 60 kHz are unaudible. Bear in mind that both of them activate different clock radios here at home in very comfortable conditions !

The GRUNDIG Sat. 700 is far better on this band.

I made the tests with the ferrite antenna AND with the telescopic antenna ("under 100 kHz tuning method"). On MW, SW and FM it's likely very sensitive and works fine.

I never read of any lack of sensivity on LW in the reviews.

Am I the only one ?

All the best

Dominique

from Normandy/France

1083. Re: Reduced sensitivity?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-22 13:45:59 UTC
From: burtthecath16
Topic: 1077 Message: 1083

I think I may contact Kaito USA and see about sending the unit in.
This morning, using the whip antenna, I could barely pick up Radio
Australia. My 20 year old Sony ICF4910 was picking it up with Q5 copy.
I've tried resetting the radio and all that and still am noticing
marked reduction in sensitivity.
Something is not right...

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "gls_44" <gls_44@...> wrote:
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1084. Re: [de1103] Reduced sensitivity?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-22 22:50:36 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn) PB6027
Topic: 1077 Message: 1084

I USE A PRESELECTOR TUNER I PICKED UP FROM EBAY
YAESU FRT7700 WITH RANDOM WIRE WORKS GREAT!
----- Original Message -----
From: Joshua Everett
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, May 21, 2007 12:32 AM
Subject: RE: [de1103] Reduced sensitivity?

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From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of burtthecath16
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1085. Re: [de1103] Reduced sensitivity?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-22 22:32:56 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1077 Message: 1085

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An external wire, not too lomg should improve in every case your reception. But here, be careful with the design problem that the DE1103 has: it's delicate front-end, prone to burn out under static electricity (try to don't touch with your fingers the telescopic antenna when there is a dry and windy weather, or you walk over a rug, and your body gains enough static to burn the FET). Also if you use an external, outdoor antenna, disconnect it when lightnings are on, and always touch the tip of the antenna plug with your finger against the wall, for some seconds to discharge yourself and the antenna.

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1086. Re: Reduced sensitivity?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-23 00:36:09 UTC
From: burtthecath16
Topic: 1077 Message: 1086

Well, if the front end FET is a likely problem, is it an "all or nothing" type of situation? In other words, if the FET is fried the radio would not pick up anything? Or would it just be less?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Horacio Nigro <hanigrodx@...> wrote:
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1087. RE: [de1103] Re: Reduced sensitivity?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-23 02:36:31 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1077 Message: 1087

Some words to explain my receiver+antenna configuration.

I have always used a previous existing external antenna, near 25 meter long, and this obviously had to be too much signal for the front end. So I had no other solution that to keep an impedance transformer I had, a 9:1 toroidal one, at the near end of the antenna, connected close to the beginning tip of the coaxial cable. But still I had too much signal. Then, down, at my listening post I had to build another balun, this one with a ferrite bar. This joint system gives an usable matching. Otherwise I had too much noise, which was not from an atmosferic noise, but a noise generated by an overloaded front end circuitry.

With this configuration, a strong lightning in the nearby once caused the FET to blow some months ago. WITH the external antenna, I still had reasonable reception, but was not the type I had enjoying before. I could copy local and regional hams, but not those being intercontinental, say on 40 meters ham band. And I had to remove the ferrite balun. After the repair, I regained more vivid signals. had to reconnect the second balun. Now, I am noting that signals are bad from 12 or 13 meterband upwards, but I strongly believe this is due to propagation conditions.

So I believe the famed good sensitivity of the receiver has is due to the RF amplifier built around Q1.

With the telescoping antenna only, the difference was notorious, after and before the fried FET. The receiver on SW was deaf with Q1 blown.

I prefer an external antenna for my DX listening.

Horacio

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1088. Re: Reduced sensitivity?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-23 13:14:06 UTC
From: burtthecath16
Topic: 1077 Message: 1088

Thanks for the replies and insights! This is a great group!

I've been doing some more comparisons between the 1103 and my little Sony ICF 4910.

Last night, I was listening to the 1103 with just the whip antenna and was copying signals on the various broadcast bands and some CW/SSB on the ham bands. Not too bad.

However, this morning, I was doing a side by side comparison with the Sony and was disappointed. The Sony with its little 1 1/2 foot whip antenna was pulling in Radio Australia, BBC-Caribbean, etc. with no problems. The 1103 wasn't listenable unless I had the external antenna plugged in and, even then, it was neck and neck with the Sony.

I KNOW the 1103 was doing far better than this just a short while ago.

So, I will contact Kaito and see what they suggest. The radio is still under warranty so I figure the worst that could happen would be I send it back and they tell me it's fine.

I'll let you know what happens!

Nick

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1089. Re: [de1103] LW sensivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-23 19:32:56 UTC
From: Igor Danilevych
Topic: 1082 Message: 1089

Hello D.Kremp!

Monday, May 21, 2007, 10:43:07 PM, you wrote:

>

I bought a DE1103 2 weeks ago and I must say I'm a bit desappointed about its sensivity on LW.

Am I the only one ?

No, I have bad sensitivity on LW also.

Old receiver made in USSR is much better in this band.

73!

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Best regards,

Igor Danilevich.

Zbarazh, Ternopil region (oblast'), Ukraine.

mailto:igor_dan100@...

1090. Re: [de1103] LW sensivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-23 23:45:25 UTC
From: Dave Spicer
Topic: 1082 Message: 1090

Igor wrote:

> No, I have bad sensitivity on LW also.
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This may be off-topic; I'll risk chastisement to pass along an old LW trick which may still have some use.

Back in the 1960s one could still buy (in the US at least) military surplus BC-453 aircraft receivers. These tuned from 190-550 kHz and had an 85-kHz IF stage. By coupling the IF stage of a regular SW receiver to the antenna input of a BC-453 tuned to 455 kHz and using it as the "rest of the receiver", its greater selectivity would improve the performance of the rig. Someone with older equipment might be interested in (carefully!) trying something similar.

Again, sorry if this is too off-topic; if nothing else it establishes my advancing age :-)

- Dave (autism info: www.davespicer.org)

1091. Re: LW sensivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-24 02:36:35 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1082 Message: 1091

In order to make the relatively "Short"external longwire antenna
resonant to the desired LW station(s)will likely help. This can be done
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in parallel) inserted in series with the external antenna.
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junk box) and with a suitable variable capacitor to tune to the desired
LW station(s). Hope this helps.
PS I never try this in the LW band yet found successfuly when
DXing "Weak" MW bcst stations.

1092. Re: LW sensivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-05-25 04:52:49 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1082 Message: 1092

There are details about building an antenna tuners --- to make the antenna resonant to the specific frequencies. Even it is designed for SW but if you tripled (not doubled) all parameters (coil size, number of turns, variable capacitors values ..) You can make one that is capable to work for the LW freq.
http://www.radiohc.org/Distributions/Dxers/pi-tuner1.htm

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1093. Current Draw

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-03 19:02:36 UTC
From: jdhardin449
Topic: 1093 Message: 1093

I measured the current draw of the 1103, and it is between 67 and 118 ma depending on the volume level. Listening to shortwave at a volume level of 15, the current is about 100 ma. This corresponds to the roughly 10 hours of use I get from the stock 1100 maH batteries.

1094. Re: Current Draw

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-03 23:25:19 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1093 Message: 1094

Mine purchased recently came with 1300 mah batteries. I never knew that they were ever made with that small capacity. My first Radio Shack Nimh's were 1600 mah. Since I got my 1103 I've stopped using most of my other radios.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jdhardin449" <jdh449@...> wrote:

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1095. Re: Current Draw

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-04 01:59:38 UTC
From: Dave Spicer
Topic: 1093 Message: 1095

Has anyone tried the GE/Sanyo "eneloop" NiMH batteries in their DE1103?
I have a set in a hungry old Olympus D-620L and they're much better at
holding their charge than the previous batteries...

- Dave

1096. How's yer reception?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-07 15:30:52 UTC
From: burtthecath16
Topic: 1096 Message: 1096

Sooo, fellow 1103 users, how has your reception been lately?

Band conditions have been goofy at best. I've gone from thinking my radio was on the fritz to getting good copy using just the whip antenna. Things have been really up and down here in Michigan.

How have things been going in your neck of the woods? What type of antenna (if any) are you using?

Good dx,
Nick

1097. Re: How's yer reception?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-08 07:08:44 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1096 Message: 1097

Wednesday morning was especially bad here on the West Coast. The BBC relay from Singapore on 9740 was almost non-existent. It's been many months since the conditions were that bad. The signal is usually fluttery but the about same every morning. I've been so happy with my KA1103 that I've barely used my Sony 7600GR in the six weeks I've had the 1103. I do use the Sony for that BBC relay because the synchronous detection helps even out the fluttery BBC signal.

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1098. Re: How's yer reception?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-08 12:26:39 UTC
From: burtthecath16
Topic: 1096 Message: 1098

Dennis:

Have you noticed that sometimes your Sony pulls in a little better than the 1103 and vice-versa?

I have a little Sony ICF 4910--about twenty years old--and I've noticed when doing a side-by-side comparison that sometimes reception is better on the Sony than the Kaito. I've also noticed that sometimes the opposite is true. Now, one would think that it would be one way or the other all the time, but that hasn't been my experience. I've thought about sending the 1103 in to have it checked out, but (right when I'm ready to pack it up, of course) it'll come back and impress me with its reception.

What's your experience been?

Nick
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1099. Re: My DE1103 has arrived!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-09 23:51:44 UTC
From: wgmartin999
Topic: 1064 Message: 1099

As has been alluded to by other responders, this seems to
be a standard happening with the 1103 when you let the
batteries run down far or operate it with no batteries installed
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So it seems inadvisable to let the batteries run so low that
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1100. FM reception & antenna orientation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-10 00:11:51 UTC
From: wgmartin999
Topic: 1100 Message: 1100

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Most often, the best reception of a weak semi-local FM comes with the whip extended only one or two segments, at right angles to the case, and with the radio laying flat and rotated to the position where the station sounds clearest.

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Any VHF antenna experts out there have any comments?

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1101. RE: [de1103] Re: My DE1103 has arrived!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-10 00:27:39 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1064 Message: 1101

My routine is the following:

I use the AC power with the batteries installed, when I am at home.
When I leave home for work, I unplug the rx from the AC outlet and from the receiver.
The receiver is switched off, touch-blocked with the proper button, the batteries provide the energy.
Also antenna is disconnected. The rechargeable batteries are charged from time to time, once a month with an external charger.

When I arrive home, I connect all cables and power, and touch the tip of the antenna plug against the wall with my finger, as I said before and as was suggested here at the forum.

BTW, I have found excellent companions in a pair of Sennheiser OMX 52 earphones (but had to replace by myself the original cord which became defective) and a 2+1 computer audio amplifier from Genius (setting volume of the DE1103 is normally on number 23).

Horacio
Uruguay

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1102. RE: [de1103] FM reception & antenna orientation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-10 00:38:15 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1100 Message: 1102

My advise: Don't play too much with the DE1103 whip antenna. It's been reported to get broken. That was said to me and I fullfill that.

In my urban area, I used to extend one to two elements of it, not rotating it, and could listen to FM stations as far as 150 km. I am in a near 100 meter above sea level site.

The footnote: I am not listening anymore to FM in my Degen, since when I had the filter mod (110+53) made, these filters converted the bandwidth into an excesive narrowed level, which made stations to be distorted. The pity is that original filters were destroyed in the removal. Which are the factory standard values for the FM selectivity filters?

Another DE1103 will come for me from Italy in August, when a friend comes to visit me.

Horacio
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1103. WRTH review

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-13 12:44:51 UTC
From: finvkr
Topic: 1103 Message: 1103

I have not read the WRTH for many years. Has there been any review about the DE1103?

1104. Re: WRTH review

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-13 14:53:56 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1103 Message: 1104

WRTH has never even acknowledged that there are high quality radios being manufactured in China. Every year I go to the bookstore and after spending a few minutes looking at the new edition I once again decide that buying WRTH is a complete waste of money. It's hard to believe how far out of date some of their information is. Some of the omissions and/or items needing corrections are for things you'd had to have buried your head buried in sand and never heard of radio to have missed. I stopped sending them corrections and additions/updates because they don't use them.

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1105. RE: [de1103] Re: WRTH review

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-13 15:52:42 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1103 Message: 1105

Contrary to that opinion, several well regarded DX SWL organizations and listeners, still consider WRTH the best source of info to have printed near your receiver. The Danish SW Clubs International via its chairman Mr. Anker Petersen has made comparisons with Passport to World band radio, and Klingenfuss Super List and WRTH has the credit of better service to the user.

Of course the complementation with Internet sources, which update every week, as Glenn Hauser's DX Listening Digest or the different Yahoogroups devoted to SWL DX is very important. Also WRTH has released periodic updates via its website.

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1106. Whip antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-13 16:39:25 UTC
From: D.Kremp
Topic: 1106 Message: 1106

Hi all,

Does anybody know where pull out whip antennas for the DE1103 are available in Europe ?

Thanks in advance

Dominique

from Normandy/France

1107. Re: Whip antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-14 01:45:53 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1106 Message: 1107

They're available on eBay:

http://cgi.ebay.com/WHIP-ANTENNA-FOR-DE1102-DE1103-1104-1107-DE1121-RADIOS_W0QQitemZ2601081536 71QQihZ016QQcategoryZ15051QQtcZphotoQQcmdZViewItem

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1108. Re: FM reception & antenna orientation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-14 03:19:48 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 1100 Message: 1108

Will, your powers of observation support the theory. FM broadcast antennas in the US and Canada are almost always designed to radiate with circular polarisation, i.e, with a vertical (Y) and a horizontal (X) component phased 90 degrees. This is considered superior to radiating only one component, even though there is a 3dB loss in radiated energy in that component when 50% of the power is given to the other. The reasons are that:

1. Receiving antennas of all polarisations are supported instead of favouring just one; a truly vertically polarised antenna would pick up nothing from a purely horizontally polarised field. Receiving antennas range from vertical whips to horizontal dipoles through power line and earbud leads of arbitrary polarisation.

2. Multipath distortion is supposed to be mitigated compared to linear polarisation, whether horizontal, vertical or slanted (X and Y fed in phase).

Polarisation changes through refraction and reflection - the X and Y components are variously attenuated or rotated and this can change at the receiving antenna when it is moved, sometimes even relatively short distances, e.g., 1/2 wavelength or ~60".

A vertical monopole or dipole has more or less equal 'gain' in all directions in the horizontal plane for vertically polarised signals. It is a maximum when the monopole or 1/2 of the dipole is ~1/4 wavelength, i.e., ~30" at 100MHz. There are greater maxima at longer lengths, e.g. 5/8 wavelength, but set that aside as it's out of range for the 1103 whip. Its sensitivity falls off as it is made shorter.

The 1103 whip is 36" fully extended, i.e., ~1/4 wavelength at 78 MHz, and ~0.35 wavelength at 108 MHz. For the 88-108 MHz range, extending it to 26-30", i.e., all but two sections, is probably optimal, ignoring receiver overload.

A horizontal monopole or dipole of similar dimensions has a figure 8 pattern of sensitivity (or directionality) in the horizontal plane for horizontally polarised fields, with the maxima broadside to the antenna. The 8 pattern gets smaller and squatter as the length is shortened.

A tilted monopole has a much more complex sensitivity to both polarisations, ranging between the circular pattern of the vertical antenna to the figure 8 of the horizontal, proportional to the tilt.

Real listening environments with many obstructing and reflecting surfaces modify the free-space patterns described above, e.g.,

electrical wiring, metallic plumbing, re-bar, window frames & screens, siding, troughing, the earth and your body. The receiver's own pc board, power cord and earphone leads are also contributing factors making predictions more like guesses.

Weak signal reception in a strong signal environment is always challenging, moreso if the receiver is especially susceptible to overload (all are at some level). Antenna orientation to discriminate against the strong while favoring the weak is desirable but very difficult to achieve unless all the interferors are at right angles to the direction of the desired station - in which case the horizontal monopole would have the advantage over the vertical. Shortening the whip weakens all signals, perhaps below the threshold of overload, while hopefully not weakening the desired signal below the threshold of detection - could work with either vertical or horizontal.

73, Tom VE3MEO

1109. Re: [de1103] Re: FM reception & antenna orientation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-14 11:26:33 UTC
From: Dave Spicer
Topic: 1100 Message: 1109

Thanks, Tom! It's cool to read a clear explanation of a complex matter.

Our community (Asheville, NC US) got a memorable lesson in the intricacies of FM reception several years ago. A licensing dispute reached its climax when, for most of a day, two local stations were broadcasting simultaneously on the same frequency. In a moving vehicle, which station one heard would shift back and forth, sometimes within a very short distance. Must've tied the local ether up in knots...

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1110. Re: [de1103] Re: FM reception & antenna orientation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-14 13:29:14 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1100 Message: 1110

----- Original Message -----
From: "Dave Spicer" <drspicer@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 12:26 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: FM reception & antenna orientation

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It's the "FM capture effect" - the strongest signal gets received and there
is very little if any interference between them.

Leon
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Leon Heller
Amateur radio call-sign G1HSM
Yaesu FT-817ND transceiver
Suzuki SV1000S motorcycle
leon355@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller

1111. Re: [de1103] Whip antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-19 19:28:16 UTC
From: Eric
Topic: 1106 Message: 1111

I've just bought two from the chap who sold me my DE1103. Cost is $7.90 each with free postage world-wide, $1 insurance. I found this seller to be most reliable and my radio arrived in South Africa undamaged. The packing was perhaps not of the best, but it was very colourful :)

Ebay Item: 140129906246

-Eric
That Guy in South Africa...
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Vintage Tube Hobby Group:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vintage_tube/

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1112. VLF

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-20 18:34:44 UTC
From: profilenameistaken30
Topic: 1112 Message: 1112

Has anyone Had any luck listening to dawn chorus or whistlers with the ka1103 on the basement band?

1113. Getting Started

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-28 16:21:49 UTC
From: Jonathan Lyles
Topic: 1113 Message: 1113

I'm new to the group and also new to Short Wave Radios. I looked at the files and also previous posts (not all I admit).

I just bought the KA11003 to listen to republic broadcasting network on the Short Wave. I have a schedule that says to tune into 12.180 , 12.160, or 5.050 depending on the time of day.

So, how do I tune into these stations? For example do I enter "12160" then press "band+"? When I do this I get 12160 KHz. The clarity is very bad and it doesn't sound like the station I am trying to hear. The other thing is the AM indicator stays on. Is it supposed to stay on? And for the life of me what does SSB mean?

Please help I feel like sending this machine back!

1114. Re: [de1103] Getting Started

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-28 16:46:57 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1113 Message: 1114

----- Original Message -----
From: "Jonathan Lyles" <jlyles@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 28, 2007 5:21 PM
Subject: [de1103] Getting Started

> I'm new to the group and also new to Short Wave Radios. I looked at
> the files and also previous posts (not all I admit).
>
> I just bought the KA11003 to listen to republic broadcasting network
> on the Short Wave. I have a schedule that says to tune into 12.180 ,
> 12.160, or 5.050 depending on the time of day.
>
> So, how do I tune into these stations? For example do I enter "12160"
> then press "band+"? When I do this I get 12160 KHz. The clarity is
> very bad and it doesn't sound like the station I am trying to hear.
> The other thing is the AM indicator stays on. Is it supposed to stay
> on? And for the life of me what does SSB mean?

If the LED is on for SW stations, you must have pressed the SSB button. You need to turn it off, by pressing the SSB button again. You should then be able to hear the station clearly. The LED also comes on when you listening to an FM station, if it is transmitting stereo.

SSB stands for single side-band. Most SW transmissions are AM (amplitude modulation). SSB transmissions consist of only one of the side-bands, and the carrier is suppressed. To hear them properly the carrier needs to be generated in the radio, which happens when the SSB button is pressed.

Leon
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Leon Heller
Amateur radio call-sign G1HSM
Yaesu FT-817ND and FT-857D transceivers
Suzuki SV1000S motorcycle
leon355@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller

1115. Re: [de1103] Getting Started

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-06-28 16:41:16 UTC
From: Eric Söderman
Topic: 1113 Message: 1115

On 28 jun 2007, at 18.21, Jonathan Lyles wrote:

>
> So, how do I tune into these stations? For example do I enter "12160"
> then press "band+"? When I do this I get 12160 KHz. The clarity is
> very bad and it doesn't sound like the station I am trying to hear.

You are doing it correct, but the nature of shortwave makes it problematic sometimes to receive. That´s way the station provides you with different frequencies to try.

> The other thing is the AM indicator stays on. Is it supposed to stay
> on? And for the life of me what does SSB mean?

Broadcasting stations use AM in almost all cases. SSB is single side band which is mostly used by utility and amateur radio. You can read more about it at http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Single-sideband_modulation .

BR/Eric

1116. Re: VLF

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-03 08:37:46 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 1112 Message: 1116

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "profilenameistaken30" <chezwannabe@...
> wrote:
>
> Has anyone Had any luck listening to dawn chorus or whistlers with
the
> ka1103 on the basement band?
>

Hi,

I think that is it not reall, because I can test for instance SAQ from
Sverige, and signal was unreadable with Degen.

But I can heard it with my modificated mini-whip antenna by PA0RTD and
audiocard and Spectrum -lab software!

I think that you need place without disturbance, far and far from
city, and receivers for it (VLF group at yahoo).

But you can receive stations cca up 25kHz, if you use long wire
antenna and tunable preamplifier.

I think that you need other receiver for it, and maybe also other QTH.

Regards, Jara "rat"

1117. Re: FM reception & antenna orientation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-05 16:56:42 UTC
From: wgmartin999
Topic: 1100 Message: 1117

Hi, all!

Just got a chance to get back on-line after a long period in which I had no access, and I wanted to thank those who responded to my FM-antenna query. I appreciate the good info!

73, Will

1118. Who has the best price?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-06 00:21:59 UTC
From: oceansblue_biz
Topic: 1118 Message: 1118

Any recommendations on where to get a Kaito 1103. Thinking about Amazon.

Rob
NV7F

1119. Re: [de1103] Who has the best price?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-06 08:37:43 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1118 Message: 1119

----- Original Message -----
From: "oceansblue_biz" <rlundahl@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, July 06, 2007 1:21 AM
Subject: [de1103] Who has the best price?

>
> Any recommendations on where to get a Kaito 1103. Thinking about
> Amazon.

Cheapest is from one of the Ebay suppliers, but you might be unlucky and get
a dud and have to return it. Most are OK though. Kaito probably tests them
before sending them out.

Leon
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Leon Heller
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1120. Re: [de1103] Who has the best price?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-06 14:18:41 UTC
From: A. P.
Topic: 1118 Message: 1120

Don't know about being the cheapest, but close to it with good service - use to have free shipping but that may have change:

http://radioshowcase.com/c-52035-kaito-radios.html

oceansblue_biz <rlundahl@...> wrote:
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Amazon.

Rob
NV7F

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1121. Re: Who has the best price?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-06 16:52:14 UTC
From: gls_44
Topic: 1118 Message: 1121

I bought my Kaito 1103 from radios4you.com, $79.95 + $14.95 shipping.
I've had it 5 months and zero problems.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "oceansblue_biz" <rlundahl@...> wrote:
>
>
> Any recommendations on where to get a Kaito 1103. Thinking about
> Amazon.
>
> Rob
> NV7F
>

1122. Re: [de1103] Re: Who has the best price?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-06 17:05:41 UTC
From: Eric
Topic: 1118 Message: 1122

Got my DE1103 off ebay, directly from China. Shipping excluded, can't recall the costs but less than $79 total. But... the power pack is 220v, not 110v. As our mains is 220V, suits me just fine :)

-Eric
That Guy in South Africa...
****
Vintage Tube Hobby Group:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vintage_tube/

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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "oceansblue_biz" <rlundahl@...> wrote:
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>> Amazon.
>>
>> Rob
>> NV7F
>>
>>

1123. Re:Who has the best price?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-06 15:42:04 UTC
From: chris taylor
Topic: 1118 Message: 1123

A couple months ago i bought mine through
Amazon. The price seemed close to others
and I figured if something went wrong
Amazon would be easier to deal with
any problems. All went well. The radio
is fun.

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Comedy with an Edge to see what's on, when.
http://tv.yahoo.com/collections/222

1124. Buying DE1103 in China

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-06 19:30:46 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 1124 Message: 1124

Does anyone know how easy it is to buy a DE1103 in China? A friend of mine (his wife is Chinese) is about to go to Kunming for their annual visit and was thinking of buying one while they are over there.

Leon

1125. Re: Who has the best price?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-07 01:58:06 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1118 Message: 1125

In April I bought mine on eBay from Radios4You for $80.90 including shipping. It was delivered promptly. Their cheapest price right now is $85.90:

http://cgi.ebay.com/KAITO-KA1103-KA-1103-AM-FM-SSB-SHORTWAVE-RADIO-RECEIVER_W0QQitemZ250138161351QQihZ015QQcategoryZ15051QQssPageNameZWDVWQQrdZ1QQcmdZViewItem

73 de WB6TNB

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "oceansblue_biz" <rlundahl@...> wrote:
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>
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>
> Rob
> NV7F

1126. Re: Who has the best price?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-07 02:34:12 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1118 Message: 1126

Oops!! I didn't notice that all three radios in that auction have apparently already been sold. However for $92.90 (you have to use "Buy it Now") they have one on eBay that includes a portable wire antenna:

http://cgi.ebay.com/KAITO-KA1103-GRAY-AM-FM-SHORT-WAVE-SSB-RADIO-RECEIVER_W0QQitemZ250139135104QQihZ015QQcategoryZ4673QQcmdZViewItem

Radios4You is an American company. They supply the proper 110 volt AC adapter/charger and an English manual. There is a 1 year USA warranty. Mine only took a few days to arrive. It's so good that I've hardly used my Sony ICF-SW7600GR since it arrived.

Getting the portable wire antenna doesn't mean you absolutely have to use it to hear a lot of stations. It's quite hot using only the whip antenna. Kaito includes a 35 foot wire antenna. The price of the KA1103 has gone up in recent months because it has become known as an excellent and fun (I like the fake LCD analog dial) radio.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Dennis Gibson" <wb6tnb@...> wrote:
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> 73 de WB6TNB

1127. Re: [de1103] Re:Who has the best price?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-07 15:23:59 UTC
From: Andy
Topic: 1118 Message: 1127

In Moscow they cost 90 US$.
Andy

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1128. Re: [de1103] Buying DE1103 in China

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-09 07:33:34 UTC
From: Lidael
Topic: 1124 Message: 1128

I heard it cost near 30-35 in local shops of China.

--- Leon Heller <leon355@...> wrote:

> Does anyone know how easy it is to buy a DE1103 in
> China? A friend of
> mine (his wife is Chinese) is about to go to Kunming
> for their annual
> visit and was thinking of buying one while they are
> over there.
>
> Leon

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1129. Kchibo KK-S500 with synchronous detection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-09 15:53:13 UTC
From: texnote
Topic: 1129 Message: 1129

Has anybody purchased and used the Kchibo KK-S500 off ebay (liypn)?
This is a small dual conversion digital portable with synchronous
detection. Lettering on the radio is in Chinese.

See http://tinyurl.com/254vuz

Here are some large photos:

http://www.flickr.com/photo_zoom.gne?id=593860559&size=l

http://www.flickr.com/photo_zoom.gne?id=594123778&size=l

http://www.flickr.com/photo_zoom.gne?id=593857283&size=l

http://www.flickr.com/photo_zoom.gne?id=593854221&size=l

http://www.flickr.com/photo_zoom.gne?id=594126572&size=l

http://www.flickr.com/photo_zoom.gne?id=593852747&size=l

http://www.flickr.com/photo_zoom.gne?id=594130238&size=l

1130. Re: [de1103] Kchibo KK-S500 with synchronous detection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-10 00:33:11 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1129 Message: 1130

Looks like a very nice receiver, perhaps in the
same category as the DE1103. There is a review in
Japanese (where it is compared with the Sony
ICF-SW7600GR) that can be accessed via the Google translator at:
http://www.google.com/translate?langpair=ja|en&u=http://fade-in.air-nifty.com/radio_and_pc
/2007/06/sw7600gr_vs_kks.html

The "translation" is funny but anyhow something
can be grasped. It looks like the selectivity is
not that good, but it is very sensitive.

It seems however that we will have to wait for
somebody in this list to purchase a KK-S500 in
order to have a deeper insight of this receiver

73

Moisés Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

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1131. Re: Kchibo KK-S500 with synchronous detection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-10 04:26:16 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1129 Message: 1131

I'm glad I'm not the only one who didn't understand much of the translated comparison. Translation is one of the few things Google doesn't do well. There are rumors that a couple of Chinese radios with synchronous detection will be coming out soon. There were supposed to be several in the last few years that I never heard anything more about. I have a Sony ICF-SW7600GR so a Chinese radio with synchronous detection would have to perform very well at an inexpensive price before I'd buy one. I wish my KA1103 and Radio Shack DX-398 (same as the Sangean ATS-909) had synchronous detection.

I bought a KA1103 in April and I like it so much that I haven't used my Sony 7600GR very much since then. I may be in the minority but I think the LCD fake analog display is fun. I also have a KA1101 and I think it's excellent. I'm curious about the KA1102/DE1102. Does anyone here have one? If so do you like it?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moisés Knochen <moises.knochen@...> wrote:
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> Moisés Knochen
> Montevideo, Uruguay

1132. Re: Kchibo KK-S500 with synchronous detection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-11 00:49:48 UTC
From: oceansblue_biz
Topic: 1129 Message: 1132

Does it do SSB?

NV7F

1133. Re: [de1103] Re: Kchibo KK-S500 with synchronous detection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-11 22:06:15 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1129 Message: 1133

At 21:49 10/07/2007, you wrote:
>Does it do SSB?
>
>NV7F

Well, that is a good question. There is very
little info in the "western" world about this
receiver and nowhere is stated whether or not it
has SSB capabilities. But, if it has synchronous
detection, then the basic hardware for SSB should
be present, right? Or am I wrong?

The web page where it is sold in ebay does not convey much info, either.

73

Moisés Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

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1134. Re: [de1103] Re: Kchibo KK-S500 with synchronous detection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-13 02:28:05 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1129 Message: 1134

No SSB
----- Original Message -----
From: Moisés Knochen
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 11, 2007 6:06 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Kchibo KK-S500 with synchronous detection

At 21:49 10/07/2007, you wrote:
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Montevideo, Uruguay

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1135. Re: Kchibo KK-S500 with synchronous detection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-12 04:33:08 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1129 Message: 1135

I assumed a radio with synchronous detection would have SSB but this one doesn't seem to. Maybe that's a good thing. If it has SSB I'd be tempted to buy one even though I really don't need another radio. Two radios with synchronous detection will have to do for now. Here's an eBay auction with photos and description:

http://cgi.ebay.com/NEW-KCHIBO-KK-S500-DUAL-CONVERSION-SW-FM-MW-RADIO_W0QQitemZ260137512147QQihZ016QQcategoryZ15051QQcmdZViewItem

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
>
> No SSB

> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Moisés Knochen
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Wednesday, July 11, 2007 6:06 PM
> Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Kchibo KK-S500 with synchronous detection
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>
> At 21:49 10/07/2007, you wrote:
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> >
> >NV7F
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> be present, right? Or am I wrong?
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either.
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> 73
>
> Moisés Knochen
> Montevideo, Uruguay

1136. Re: [de1103] Re: Kchibo KK-S500 with synchronous detection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-12 06:40:39 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1129 Message: 1136

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Mois?s Knochen" <moises.knochen@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 11, 2007 11:06 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Kchibo KK-S500 with synchronous detection

At 21:49 10/07/2007, you wrote:
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>NV7F

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Synchronous detection isn't relevant for SSB. I'm quite sure that it would
be mentioned if it had SSB capability.

Leon
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1137. DE1103 MKIV mod

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-12 22:43:12 UTC
From: John Wells
Topic: 1137 Message: 1137

I just received my DE1103 from TQChina. Excellent Seller!

I made certain everything worked and decided to put protection for Q1 in the radio. I cracked it open and had a look. The board was stamped MKIV. The KD1TE mod was called for since I had 2K resistors for R223 and R224. Closer inspection disclosed that these resistors were in series with R226 and R228, each with a value of 3K (marked 302). This gave a total of 5K for each leg of the circuit. The original schematic called for 1K (marked 102) for R223 and R224. These were in series with 3.9K resistors for a total of 4.9K. I decided that a mere 100 ohms difference was not worth the effort of incorporating the mod.

I did, however, install two diodes IN4148 (opposing polarity) from ground to L2, hoping to provide static protection for the FET Q1.

The rig sounds ok to me and I'm happy with it.

KI4KWM
(formerly WB5TVK)

1138. Re: [de1103] Re: Kchibo KK-S500 with synchronous detection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-13 13:08:49 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1129 Message: 1138

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>Synchronous detection isn't relevant for SSB. I'm quite sure that it would
>be mentioned if it had SSB capability.
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>Leon
Well, then it is not in the same category as our
beloved DE1103. BTW I have sent a question to
ebay seller liypn about SSB, but so far no reply.
This seller never replies my questions :-(

Moises

Moisés Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

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1139. Re: [de1103] DE1103 MKIV mod

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-13 16:53:16 UTC
From: Eric
Topic: 1137 Message: 1139

> I just received my DE1103 from TQChina. Excellent Seller!

I can second that! And the stamps and packaging used are very colourful too :)

-Eric
That Guy in South Africa...
****
Vintage Tube Hobby Group:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vintage_tube/

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> KI4KWM
> (formerly WB5TVK)
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1140. Fwd: Re: [de1103] Re: Kchibo KK-S500 with synchronous detection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-13 17:13:41 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1140 Message: 1140

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>ebay seller liypn about SSB, but so far no
>reply. This seller never replies my questions :-(

Finally, Liypn has just answered my question
(first time!): no SSB :-(He/she did not answer
my second question (does it have more than one
bandwidth?) The pictures don't show any slide
switch for changing bandwidth, but who knows, perhaps via keyboard...

Moisés Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

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1141. Re: DE1103 MKIV mod

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-13 19:19:43 UTC
From: gary_thorburn
Topic: 1137 Message: 1141

John --

Thanks for providing the details about R223, R224, R226 and R228 on the MKIV version.

Bottom line is, if it sounds good to you, don't mess with it! The following discussion may not interest you, but may interest others on the list.

I'm a bit surprised by the resistor values in the newer version. These resistors make up a voltage divider circuit which reduces the level of the audio signal going into the audio amplifier chip.

Since there are two identical channels (for FM stereo), we can limit our discussion to just two resistors, R223 and R226, which set the level for one channel. Simplifying slightly, their effect is to reduce the signal voltage level going into the audio chip by a factor of (R223)/(R223 + R226).

The values on the schematic found on the web, are R223 = 1.0K, R226 = 3.9K, resulting in a voltage reduction factor of (1)/(1+3.9) = .204 So, if a signal going into this resistor network had a level of, say 2 volts, it would come out of the network at (2 * .204) = about .41 volts. This is the situation that my (KD1TE) mod attempts to restore.

The "wrong" components I found in my 1103 were 2.2K and 3.9K, respectively, resulting in a voltage reduction factor of .361, resulting in a higher level getting into the audio chip, which is why the audio was distorting.

The interesting thing is that on your MKIV unit, the values are 2.0K and 3.0K, respectively, which result in a reduction factor of .400. This actually should produce even higher distortion than I originally encountered.

It may be that on the MKIV unit, other component values were tweaked, which adjust the levels in other ways. I have no way of knowing. Don't fix it if it ain't broke!

Enjoy your 1103! Its the most remarkable radio for its size and price that I've ever encountered.

Gary Thorburn KD1TE
kd1te@...

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> gave a total of 5K for each leg of the circuit. The original schematic
> called for 1K (marked 102) for R223 and R224. These were in series with
> 3.9K resistors for a total of 4.9K. I decided that a mere 100 ohms
> difference was not worth the effort of incorporating the mod.
>
> I did, however, install two diodes IN4148 (opposing polarity) from
> ground to L2, hoping to provide static protection for the FET Q1.
>
> The rig sounds ok to me and I'm happy with it.
>
>
> KI4KWM
> (formerly WB5TVK)
>

1142. Fwd: Re: [de1103] Re: Kchibo KK-S500 with synchronous detection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-14 00:19:18 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1140 Message: 1142

At that price I'm not surprised.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moisés Knochen <moises.knochen@...> wrote:
>
>
> >Well, then it is not in the same category as our
> >beloved DE1103. BTW I have sent a question to
> >ebay seller liypn about SSB, but so far no
> >reply. This seller never replies my questions :-(
>
> Finally, Liypn has just answered my question
> (first time!): no SSB :-(He/she did not answer
> my second question (does it have more than one
> bandwidth?) The pictures don't show any slide
> switch for changing bandwidth, but who knows, perhaps via keyboard...
>
>
> Moisés Knochen
> Montevideo, Uruguay

1143. DE31 loop

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-14 00:47:22 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1143 Message: 1143

I can't decide whether or not my DE31 loop is defective. There's only one place I can put it permanently. I have only seen an improvement a couple of times using a number of different radios. I think I'll move it temporarily for testing purposes. Are there any DE31 owners here who can tell me of their experiences with it?

1144. Re: [de1103] DE31 loop

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-14 01:04:49 UTC
From: MWBRYANT@aol.com
Topic: 1143 Message: 1144

In a message dated 7/13/2007 8:47:52 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time, wb6tnb@... writes:

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Mike

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1145. Nominal values for the original FM filters

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-14 01:23:53 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1143 Message: 1145

Does anybody knows the nominal values of the original DE1103?
How to replace them with others with the original values to restore a dissapointing result with the FM selectivity mod?

Horacio
Uruguay

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1146. Re: Buying DE1103 in China

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-17 04:51:44 UTC
From: old_speaker_guy
Topic: 1124 Message: 1146

I'll be in Hong Kong this weekend and want to see if I can find an 1104. Last time I was there I couldn't find any radios in Wan Chai or Kowloon. This time I am going to try Sham Shi Po. It is more hobbyist and computer parts orriented and less cell phones and digital cameras.

I did get a 9700DX here once at a good price.

I'll let the group know if I am successful.

David Smith

1147. Re: Buying DE1103 in China

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-18 18:55:00 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1124 Message: 1147

Hope it helps:

SHENZEN DEGEN ELECTRONICS CO., LTD
East Wing,6/F, E-2 BLOCK, EAST INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT EAST. OVERSEAS
CHINESE TOWN.SHENZHEN P.R.China
Post Code: 518053
Fax:(86) 755-26918325
Tel:(86) 755-26912618/26918406
URL: www.degen.com.cn
Email: postmaster@...

For HongKong and oversea customers,please contact our HK office

Tecsun Electronic Industrial Limited
Unit 11, 13/F, Block A, Hoi Luen Industrial Centre,55 Hoi Yuen
Road,Kwun Tong,Kowloon,Hong Kong.
Tel: (852)2895 1586¡¡¡¡¡¡¡¡¡¡Fax: (852)2890 5617
Email: tecsun@...

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "old_speaker_guy" <dsmith@...> wrote:
>
> I'll be in Hong Kong this weekend and want to see if I can find an
> 1104. ....

1148. Modification or converter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-22 07:04:18 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 1148 Message: 1148

Hi all,
do you know some mods for FM, for instance for band 54MHz and up?

Or: tested converter for this band or for OIRT band (cca 64-74MHz) to 76MHz and up?

Best regards, Jara "rat"

1149. Re: Buying DE1103 in China

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-24 17:41:57 UTC
From: old_speaker_guy
Topic: 1124 Message: 1149

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "old_speaker_guy" <dsmith@...> wrote:
>
> I'll be in Hong Kong this weekend and want to see if I can find an
> 1104. Last time I was there I couldn't find any radios in Wan Chai
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> Kowloon. This time I am going to try Sham Shui Po.

Well, no better luck in Sham Shui Po. There was a neat electronic flea market street (Apliu Street) and the Golden Shopping Center had lots of computer related bargains but the only Shortwave radios were a couple of street vendors with Kchibo and other low end radios. Radios seem to be a specialist item out of the mainstream of consumer goods such as cell phones, MP3 players and digital cameras.

I did find one mainstream dealer with a few older Sony sets and picked up an Sony SW 22 at a good price.

Regards,
David

1150. Re: [de1103] Re: Buying DE1103 in China

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-24 18:04:48 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1124 Message: 1150

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----- Original Message -----
From: "old_speaker_guy" <dsmith@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2007 6:41 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Buying DE1103 in China

> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "old_speaker_guy" <dsmith@...> wrote:
>>
>> I'll be in Hong Kong this weekend and want to see if I can find an
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> cell phones, MP3 players and digital cameras.
>
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> up an Sony SW 22 at a good price.

My friend who's staying in Kunming can't find one, either. I started this
thread because of him. Perhaps I can get another friend who lives in HK to
get one and post it to him.

Leon
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1151. RE: [de1103] Re: Buying DE1103 in China

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-24 19:42:57 UTC
From: don sadam
Topic: 1124 Message: 1151

Why don't you just hook with the guys that sell them on e-bay out of Hong
Kong and Shanghai?

>From: "old_speaker_guy" <dsmith@...>
>Reply-To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
>To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [de1103] Re: Buying DE1103 in China
>Date: Tue, 24 Jul 2007 17:41:57 -0000
>
>--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "old_speaker_guy" <dsmith@...> wrote:
> >
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>Regards,
>David
>

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http://club.live.com/chicktionary.aspx?icid=chick_hotmailtextlink2

1152. Re: Buying DE1103 in China

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-25 02:19:16 UTC
From: Theo
Topic: 1124 Message: 1152

Exactly, <lipyn>!

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "don sadam" <donsadam@...> wrote:
>
> Why don't you just hook with the guys that sell them on e-bay out of
Hong
> Kong and Shanghai?
>
>
> >From: "old_speaker_guy" <dsmith@...>
> >Reply-To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> >To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> >Subject: [de1103] Re: Buying DE1103 in China
> >Date: Tue, 24 Jul 2007 17:41:57 -0000
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1153. Re: Buying DE1103 in China

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-25 03:27:12 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1124 Message: 1153

Again did you try to call their HK office? Are their HK phone number listed below correct?

.... For HongKong and oversea customers,please contact our HK office

Tecsun Electronic Industrial Limited
Unit 11, 13/F, Block A, Hoi Luen Industrial Centre,55 Hoi Yuen Road,Kwun Tong,Kowloon,Hong Kong.
Tel: (852)2895 1586¡¡¡¡¡¡¡¡¡¡Fax: (852)2890 5617

1154. Questions from New List Member--Recording

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-25 02:30:36 UTC
From: Daniel A. Piazza
Topic: 1154 Message: 1154

Hello All,

I am a new list member considering the DE/KA1103 as a backup/travel radio for my DX-394. I must say I have been impressed by the uniformly positive reviews for this well-under-$100 receiver.

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Does anyone on the list have experience making digital recordings from the 1103, maybe by using a mini plug patch cable from the line out of the radio to the mic in on the computer? I searched through the message archive, but the few that mentioned making recordings seemed to have done it with a tape recorder.

Or maybe I wait for the rumored impending upgrade of the 1121, with a 512mb chip, and hope it also fixes some of the other bugs that have been pointed out.

Dan Piazza
Maryland, USA

1155. RE: [de1103] Questions from New List Member--Recording

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-25 11:01:49 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1154 Message: 1155

Using here a Creative Zen Nano 512 kB. Then to PC. Have never connected direct the receiver tom the PC. The Zen comes with a mminiplug to spica stereo cable as normal accesory.

Horacio
Uruguay

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1156. Re: Questions from New List Member--Recording

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-25 14:13:17 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1154 Message: 1156

Dan - I haven't made any recordings from my KA1103 but I just want to add one more positive review. I am extremely happy with mine, which I've had for three months. Passport to World Band Radio called the ergonomics "hostile", which is blown way out of proportion. There are a couple of quirks but I haven't needed to refer to the instruction manual after reading it once. I think the fake LCD analog display is fun. The sensitivity and selectivity on both SW and MW is excellent. I had a Sony ICF-SW7600GR (with the wonderful synchronous detection) when I bought my KA1103 and I've hardly used it since my 1103 arrived.

The plan was for the 1103 to replace my DX-398 as my travel radio. It will but it has also become my every day radio. Now I use the Sony in the bedroom to pick up a weak BBC signal every morning while getting ready to go to work. The signal fades up and down quite a bit and the synchronous detection evens that out. The 1103's audio is better than the Sony's.

Spend the extra $$ to get the Kaito with a US warranty and the correct US voltage AC adapter/charger. Sending a Degen back to China for warranty repair would cost more than the $$ you saved by getting a Degen.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Daniel A. Piazza" <dpiazza3@...> wrote:
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>
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>
> Dan Piazza

> Maryland, USA

1157. KA1101 instruction manual

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-26 01:52:06 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1157 Message: 1157

Does anyone out there have an instruction manual for a KA1101? I gave my KA1101 to a blind friend and he is going on vacation where the MW stations are 9 kHz. spacing (Tahiti; I should hide in his luggage!!). I've lost the manual and haven't been able to find one online. I want to tell him how to switch back and forth between 9 kHz. and 10 kHz. spacing. There are tons of DE1101 manuals online but that doesn't help since it does only 9 kHz.!!

1158. Re: KA1101 instruction manual

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-26 21:47:56 UTC
From: takei.hisasi
Topic: 1157 Message: 1158

Since de1103 can change frequency in 1kHz, you need not think 9kHz or 10kHz.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Dennis Gibson" <wb6tnb@...> wrote:
>
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1159. Lack of sensitivity on SW bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-26 23:04:35 UTC
From: Sergio Potes
Topic: 1159 Message: 1159

I have a D1103 and it was working fine. Recently in SW the sensitivity is way down. MW and FM are fine. Has anyone had this problem?
Thanks for any feed back! Sergio AE4TO

1160. Re: KA1101 instruction manual

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-27 03:48:54 UTC
From: wa1uju
Topic: 1157 Message: 1160

Dennis

From a copy of a KA1101 manual I have:

"9K/10K Step Selection
The default setting for the unit is 10KHz step. To convert to 9KHz step, press RESET button first, the LCD shows SET, then press ENTER button, the LCD shows 9-10, press number 9, conversion succeed.

Press RESET button again to resume 10KHz step."

NOTE! According to the description for the RESET button, activation will erase all memories and the clock setting. I do not have an 1101 to verify the instructions. Good luck.

Glen

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1161. Re: [de1103] Lack of sensitivity on SW bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-27 07:28:21 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1159 Message: 1161

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Sergio Potes" <ae4to@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, July 27, 2007 12:04 AM
Subject: [de1103] Lack of sensitivity on SW bands

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> is way down. MW and FM are fine. Has anyone had this problem?
> Thanks for any feed back! Sergio AE4TO

Have you got the LO/DX switch in the right position?

Leon
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1162. Re: Lack of sensitivity on SW bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-27 14:06:22 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1159 Message: 1162

I just tried changing the LO/DX switch on my KA1103 from DX to LO. It does have an effect on MW. It wouldn't hurt to look. As I'm writing this (6:50 AM local time in California) Radio Australia in booming in on 9580 khz. on my KA1103 using a Radio Shack windup antenna indoors. I have a Sony 7600GR in another room and the signal strength is the same as the 1103 using an identical antenna. The BBC World Service is coming in on 9740 khz. from Singapore. The signal is much weaker but the same on both radios and is the same it has been for a long time.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon" <leon355@...> wrote:
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Sergio Potes" <ae4to@...>
> To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Friday, July 27, 2007 12:04 AM
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> Leon

1163. Re: Lack of sensitivity on SW bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-27 15:02:29 UTC
From: Sergio Potes
Topic: 1159 Message: 1163

Yes this was on dx already. The problem is some where else. I think it may be the pramp...static may have damaged it.

1164. RE: [de1103] Re: Lack of sensitivity on SW bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-27 17:34:35 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1159 Message: 1164

A damage of the front-end Field Effect Transistor is the worst cause of sudden lack of sensitivity in the DE1103. This happens after physical contact with the antenna with a finger plenty charged of electrostatic -likely to occur in dry weather and after walking over a rug. Other reason for FET being burnt is a static current built over the external aerial under circumstances of dry and windy weather.Or after a lightning storm ocurring near the house.

If this hasn't the cause I should remember that shortwave fadeouts are common these days,with very poor propagation conditions specially from 10MHz up.

If the FET was fried, several members at this yahoogroup -myself included- have reported to have it replaced with another one. In some cases via a do it yourself technique which implies certain care with both dissasembling the back cover of the receiver and desoldering the component and soldering the replacement.

Horacio
Uruguay

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1165. Re: Lack of sensitivity on SW bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-27 19:44:14 UTC
From: Sergio Potes
Topic: 1159 Message: 1165

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>
> Horacio
> Uruguay
>
>
> Dennis Gibson <wb6tnb@...> escribió:
>Dennis and Horacio. Thank you for the feedback. I suspect is the blown front end by static. Lots of thunder here in Miami Fl.
I am going to try fixing it. This is a very sensitive radio and is very small and I can listen to ssb and cw. I am into ham radio but like swl too and I like all these small radios. You can build a very simple tansmitter and use this radio for receiving.Many thanks! Sergio ae4to

1166. Re: Questions from New List Member--Recording

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-30 14:39:05 UTC
From: Daniel A. Piazza
Topic: 1154 Message: 1166

Thanks for that suggestion, Horacio. It sounds like a good one. Just let me make certain. You use the patch cable that comes with the Zen and connect the line out on the radio to the mic in on the computer?

Dan Piazza

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Horacio Nigro <hanigrodx@...> wrote:
> Using here a Creative Zen Nano 512 kB. Then to PC. Have never
> connected direct the receiver tom the PC. The Zen comes with a
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1167. Re: [de1103] Re: Questions from New List Member--Recording

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-30 14:49:59 UTC
From: Dave Spicer
Topic: 1154 Message: 1167

Dan Piazza wrote:

> ...and connect the line out on the radio to the mic in on the computer?

No, it'd be the "line in" jack. The "mic in" is for very low-level signals produced by microphones, and the signal from the radio would be *way* too strong. This would at least cause a lot of distortion, and might also damage the sound card/circuitry in the computer.

- Dave, pitching in

1168. Re: Questions from New List Member--Recording

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-30 15:07:27 UTC
From: Daniel A. Piazza
Topic: 1154 Message: 1168

Thanks, Dave.

I went back to my computer's manual, and it says "The microphone/line-in jack accepts audio line-in devices (e.g., audio CD player, stereo walkman)." Is it possible that the two are combined? (It's a laptop.) I don't see any other input jacks.

Dan

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Dave Spicer <drspicer@...> wrote:
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1169. Re: [de1103] Re: Questions from New List Member--Recording

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-30 16:20:16 UTC
From: Dave Spicer
Topic: 1154 Message: 1169

Dan wrote:

> Is it possible that the two are combined? (It's a laptop.)

It sure is. Whatever the manual says ought to be fine. Since the *newest* laptop I have is a P120, I didn't even think about that possibility :-)

- Dave

1170. RE: [de1103] Re: Questions from New List Member--Recording

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-30 23:42:56 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1154 Message: 1170

Never connected the patch cable to my PC, but in that case the connection should be over the line-in jack of the computer. I've already read that you have a laptop with combined mic/line-in input. This connection you want to do should be useful not for only recording, but by using the proper software and via your soundcard to proceed to decode utility radio signals, as radioteletype, ham slow scan TV, etc. Alas, I haven't tested this, yet.

Horacio Nigro

"Daniel A. Piazza" <dpiazza3@...> escribi?:
Thanks for that suggestion, Horacio. It sounds like a good one. Just let me make certain. You use the patch cable that comes with the Zen and connect the line out on the radio to the mic in on the computer?

Dan Piazza

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Horacio Nigro <hanigrodx@...> wrote:
> Using here a Creative Zen Nano 512 kB. Then to PC. Have never
> connected direct the receiver tom the PC. The Zen comes with a
> miniplug to spica stereo cable as normal accesory.

Horacio Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

S? un Mejor Amante del Cine
?Quieres saber c?mo? ?Deja que otras personas te ayuden!.

1171. DE1103 OIRT FM BAND MODIFICATION

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-07-30 17:17:27 UTC
From: notareallyreal
Topic: 1171 Message: 1171

Has anyone modified de1103 for former east-european FM
frequency area ?
OIRT FM area is between 64...73MHz
BR

1172. Re: Questions from New List Member--Recording

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-07 17:08:22 UTC
From: notareallyreal
Topic: 1154 Message: 1172

MP3 player with line-in is propably easiest way to record.
With PC I recommend to use galvanic ground loop isolator between computer and receiver. It reduces interference from pc and protects your equipments from being damaged by potential differences between pc/receiver. Quite good free PC-programs for recording and handling MP3-files are for example: SVRECORDER and MP3DirectCut
BR

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Daniel A. Piazza" <dpiazza3@...> wrote:
>
> Hello All,
>
> I am a new list member considering the DE/KA1103 as a backup/travel
> radio for my DX-394. I must say I have been impressed by the
> uniformly positive reviews for this well-under-$100 receiver.
>
> I'm also looking at the 1121, mainly because I like the idea of
> making digital recordings directly from the radio. However, reviews
> and posts on the DE1121 board do indicate that the 1121 has some
> significant firmware and usability problems. And there is general
> agreement that the 1103 is a better receiver.
>
> Does anyone on the list have experience making digital recordings
> from the 1103, maybe by using a mini plug patch cable from the line
> out of the radio to the mic in on the computer? I searched through
> the message archive, but the few that mentioned making recordings
> seemed to have done it with a tape recorder.
>
> Or maybe I wait for the rumored impending upgrade of the 1121, with a
> 512mb chip, and hope it also fixes some of the other bugs that have
> been pointed out.
>
> Dan Piazza
> Maryland, USA
>

1173. Version

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-10 15:32:25 UTC
From: harle83
Topic: 1173 Message: 1173

Just picked up a kaito 1103 at a hamfest last weekend. Great radio, good sensitivity and sound. I keep hearing about different versions. This radio is NIB, how do I tell which version I have?
Harry
K9HDT

1174. Re: [de1103] Version

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-11 15:07:42 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1173 Message: 1174

At 12:32 10/08/2007, you wrote:

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>good sensitivity and sound. I keep hearing about different versions.
>This radio is NIB, how do I tell which version I have?
>Harry
>K9HDT

Remove the tuning knob and take a look at the shaft. Newer versions have an encoder with black plastic shaft, older (and supposedly problematic) versions have an encoder with metal shaft.

Open the case and read the markings on the main board. Mine (purchased less than a year ago) is "Mark IV" which to the best of my knowledge is the latest revision. However minor variations (such as software versions) may not be reflected in this markings.

Enjoy your 1103!

73,

Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

1175. Re: [de1103] Version

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-11 15:45:58 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1173 Message: 1175

----- Original Message -----
From: "Mois?s Knochen" <moises.knochen@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 11, 2007 4:07 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Version

> At 12:32 10/08/2007, you wrote:
>
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>>good sensitivity and sound. I keep hearing about different versions.
>>This radio is NIB, how do I tell which version I have?
>>Harry
>>K9HDT

I think there is a serial number on the box, which might help.

Leon
--
Leon Heller
Amateur radio call-sign G1HSM
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leon355@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller

1176. 160Khz mysteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-11 18:11:20 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1176 Message: 1176

The 1060 Khz KYW news radio in Philadelphia Pa, can also be picked up on 160Khz -- loud and clear, no distortion.
Is the KYW station also broadcasting on 160Khz ?(very unusual if any US broadcasting station will operate on such Longwave band) or sorts of DE1103 design shortage(s)--- image of the 1060 Khz, cross modulations ... etc ?
Any idea?

1177. Re: [de1103] 160Khz mysteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-11 18:40:43 UTC
From: k6yaz@aol.com
Topic: 1176 Message: 1177

It's the image of the proper frequency; the IF is 450 kHz, the image is -900 kHz, twice the IF.

Stuart

********** Get a sneak peek of the all-new AOL at http://discover.aol.com/memed/aolcom30tour

1178. Re: 160Khz mysteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-11 21:43:57 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1176 Message: 1178

If it is a single conversion superhet this is true. However when consider the DE1103 is a double conversion type (only the first 48Mhz Local oscillator is tunable while the 2nd Local oscillator is not ---- using a fixed freq xtal osc.to down convert the 1st IF freq to the secind 450Khz IF freq --- then such " -900 Image" pickup should not occure, true? Nevertheless you are right that the 450Khz IF freq should have something to do with this problem.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, k6yaz@... wrote:
>
> It's the image of the proper frequency; the IF is 450 kHz, the image is -900
> kHz, twice the IF.
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>
> Stuart
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1179. KA1103 as travel radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-11 23:13:41 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1179 Message: 1179

I'm on my first trip with the KA1103 as my travel radio. I already knew how great it is at home but it has completely exceeded my expectations as a travel radio. There's no need for an external antenna for SW during the day in the hotel room and with the laptop turned on not very far away. Both MW and FM are excellent. What a bargain for $80!!

I used to use my DX-398 as a travel radio. The KA1103 completely blows it out of the water.

1180. Re: [de1103] KA1103 as travel radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-12 00:38:25 UTC
From: k6yaz@aol.com
Topic: 1179 Message: 1180

The KA1103 is quite a radio. The FM stereo section is especially selective and sensitive. It shows how well an inexpensive, fairly simple radio can perform. I also own two Sony 2010 radios. For most things these days, except for SSB, I prefer the 1103.

Stuart K6YAZ

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1181. Re: KA1103 as travel radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-12 03:24:27 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1179 Message: 1181

I've haven't plugged in headphones to check out the sound. I have several Sennheisers that I'll use to check it out.

I also have a Sony 2010. It does not go on trips. I shudder to think what it would cost to repair or replace.

Why do you prefer another radio for SSB? I don't use my 2010 much but my recollection is that it doesn't have continuous tuning for SSB. Of course it does allow you to select which sideband you want, which the 1103 doesn't but I find that a small annoyance.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, k6yaz@... wrote:
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> and sensitive. It shows how well an inexpensive, fairly simple radio can
> perform. I also own two Sony 2010 radios. For most things these days, except for
> SSB, I prefer the 1103.
>
> Stuart K6YAZ

1182. Re: [de1103] KA1103 as travel radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-12 04:27:49 UTC
From: mohammed oovais g.a
Topic: 1179 Message: 1182

Dear Stuart

Is there any difficulties in using KA1103 for SSB reception?

Mohammad Oovais

----- Original Message ----
From: "k6yaz@..." <k6yaz@aol.com>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, 12 August, 2007 4:38:25 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] KA1103 as travel radio

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selective and sensitive. It shows how well an inexpensive, fairly simple radio
can perform. I also own two Sony 2010 radios. For most things these days, except
for SSB, I prefer the 1103.

Stuart K6YAZ

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http://help.yahoo.com/l/in/yahoo/mail/yahoomail/tools/tools-08.html

1183. Re: [de1103] KA1103 as travel radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-12 09:16:42 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1179 Message: 1183

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----- Original Message -----
From: mohammed oovais g.a
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, August 12, 2007 5:27 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] KA1103 as travel radio

Dear Stuart

Is there any difficulties in using KA1103 for SSB reception?

It works quite well. The filter is rather wide for SSB, though.

Leon
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1184. Re: KA1103 as travel radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-12 16:38:39 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1179 Message: 1184

It is excellent on SSB but doesn't have an LSB/USB switch. That doesn't bother me at all. It is an outstanding performer in a small package and the $80 USD price is extremely reasonable. I bought a Sony ICF-SW7600GR several months before the KA1103 and now I only use it when I want synchronous detection.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "mohammed oovais g.a" <royal024@...> wrote:
> Is there any difficulties in using KA1103 for SSB reception?
>
> Mohammad Oovais

1185. KA1101 for U.S. $29.99 + shipping

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-13 01:07:34 UTC
From: jj2mey
Topic: 1185 Message: 1185

SurplusComputers:
http://www.surpluscomputers.com/store/main.aspx?p=SearchBody&search=kaito
Shipping will be about $10 for the first item. Each additional item
only adds about $1 more to shipping, in my experience.

Also the WRX-911 for U.S. $10, which got decent reviews on Amazon:
http://www.amazon.com/Kaito-WRX911-Worldband-radio/dp/B00066D1GI/ref=pd_bbs_sr_1/104-0043985-5943929?ie=UTF8&s=electronics&qid=1186967105&sr=8-1

1186. Re: KA1103 as travel radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-13 11:12:55 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 1179 Message: 1186

I agree. The Degen DE1103/kaito KA1103/Eton E5/Grundig G5 are best in this size class. Awesoem performance for the size and price.

Jay

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Dennis Gibson" <wb6tnb@...> wrote:
>
> I'm on my first trip with the KA1103 as my travel radio. I already
> knew how great it is at home but it has completely exceeded my
> expectations as a travel radio. There's no need for an external
> antenna for SW during the day in the hotel room and with the laptop
> turned on not very far away. Both MW and FM are excellent. What a
> bargain for $80!!
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> it out of the water.
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1187. Re: KA1101 for U.S. $29.99 + shipping

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-13 13:33:00 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1185 Message: 1187

That's a great deal. It's as sensitive as the 1103. It's not good for MW DX'ing unless you don't have a halfway strong signal within 100 miles of you. The wide filter is too wide.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jj2mey" <joe2me@...> wrote:
>
> SurplusComputers:
>
http://www.surpluscomputers.com/store/main.aspx?p=SearchBody&search=kaito
> Shipping will be about $10 for the first item. Each additional item
> only adds about $1 more to shipping, in my experience.

1188. Re: KA1103 as travel radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-14 01:18:11 UTC
From: tantywee
Topic: 1179 Message: 1188

As a travel radio, aside from the usual merits mentioned about it, there are some that just don't get mentioned, like:-

1) The very flexible sleep timer. You can program it for how long you think you will take to fall asleep. And the programming is dead easy.

2) Perfect level of night illumination that does not blind you when you switch it on in a dark room. And almost every control that's needed is lit.

3) Whip antenna that's long yet sturdy when fully extended. Great for rough handling.

4) Battery cover that never falls out and get lost in the hotel rooms.

5) Decent looking enough and not too geeky to bring out to the pool side. Try blending with a SW77/2001D but, then again, they are too precious to bring near water.

1189. Chuffing noise while tuning still present on MKIV revision?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-21 20:44:19 UTC
From: huelbeag
Topic: 1189 Message: 1189

Hello group,

I have 2 DE1103 from Lyipn, perhaps the first revision. Very happy with them, although one deserves and encoder cleaning or replacement :)

One small thing that annoys me is the chuffing noise while tuning the 1103, that is, your hear a 'pop-pop-pop' noise while you tune the receiver with its tuning wheel.

A friend of Russia presented a couple of years ago a solution using (if I am not mistaken) a copper sheet as shield and a few capacitors (you can check in the files session of this group).

Does any one noted if the chuffing noise issue is fixed or improved in the last MKIV revision?

Best regards,

Huelbe
Porto Alegre, Brazil

1190. Re: [de1103] Chuffing noise while tuning still present on MKIV revision?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-22 09:23:55 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1189 Message: 1190

----- Original Message -----
From: "huelbeag" <huelbe_garcia@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 21, 2007 9:44 PM
Subject: [de1103] Chuffing noise while tuning still present on MKIV revision?

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> the last MKIV revision?

I get it slightly on one band, but it isn't all that noticeable. It's OK over most of the range.

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1191. Sanyo Eneloop Battery Package now at Costco B&M, $26.49

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-24 15:52:52 UTC
From: texnote
Topic: 1191 Message: 1191

This is by far the best deal on AA rechargeables that I've seen in a while:

Costco Item # 183245. Price: $26.49.

Includes one Eneloop charger, 8 AA 2000mAH cells, 4 AAA 800mAH cells, 2 C size adapters, and 2 D size adapters, all in a hard plastic storage case.

The eneloops maintain up to 85% of their charge even after one year of no use, unlike regular NiMH batteries. They are ready to use from the box, no charging needed.

See link to discussion and photos here:
http://www.candlepowerforums.com/vb/showthread.php?t=163112

1192. Thinking of ordering another KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-24 18:03:58 UTC
From: kf0oujf
Topic: 1192 Message: 1192

I'm thinking of ordering another KA1103. Why would I do that? Well, I take it on the bus with me to/from work. A couple of days ago, it fell of the window on a hard turn and the tuning knob went flying... somewhere. I never did find it. Other than that it survived the fall well.

The only thing I don't like about it is the LW reception (too many images -- if I really want to listen to LW I get out the TS-850s :-D).

Has anyone a "fix" for a missing tuning/volume/memory/etc. knob? And I'm relieved to know it has a black plastic shaft.

1193. Re: Chuffing noise while tuning still present on MKIV revision?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-24 18:31:27 UTC
From: kf0oujf
Topic: 1189 Message: 1193

Compared to the old ATS-803A, the chuffing isn't noticeable.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "huelbeag" <huelbe_garcia@...> wrote:
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> Huelbe
> Porto Alegre, Brazil
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1194. Re: KA1103 as travel radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-24 18:47:01 UTC
From: kf0oujf
Topic: 1179 Message: 1194

3) On mine the tip section is close to pulling out of the rest of the antenna. I've taken pliers to it to crush the last tube down so it doesn't pull out (if I had a crimping tool I'd use that).

I regularly take it on the bus to/from work. It's fallen a few times off the window sill and keep on working great.

Took it on vacation once. It performed fabulously. Could even pick up home MW stations (AM sensitivity is real good). Even at home I regularly hear stations 500+ miles away on MW (my ts-850s throws a filter in the way on MW and it just doesn't do as well there - and is certainly far too big to take on a trip).

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "tantywee" <tantywee@...> wrote:
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> side. Try blending with a SW77/2001D but, then again, they are too
> precious to bring near water.
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1195. Re: [de1103] Sanyo Eneloop Battery Package now at Costco B&M, $26.49

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-24 19:15:33 UTC
From: Dave Spicer
Topic: 1191 Message: 1195

Thanks for posting this! I've gotten AA-size Eneloops at Circuit City, which is the only local outlet carrying them in the Asheville, NC area. Still using the factory batteries in my KA-1103 but the Eneloops are great in my big, older digital camera (Olympus D-620L) as well as a portable CD player and, um, toothbrush. Good to see prices coming down.

Wish they'd make true C- and D- sized cells; they'd be pretty stout. Although for the "bigger is better" fans, there are always these... http://www.popsci.com/popsci/automotivetech/f7a1a347b3700110vgnvcm1000004eecbccdrcrd/3.html

- Dave

1196. The top section of my antenna broke off on my two year old Degen 1103... :-(

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-25 01:48:51 UTC
From: C.L.Benson
Topic: 1191 Message: 1196

Will the radio still work OK without the top piece?

What shall I expect to not have to do in order to receive not less than a great performance from the raydio?

1197. Re: The top section of my antenna broke off on my two year old Degen 1103... :-(

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-26 00:25:16 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1191 Message: 1197

No a big deal. Dont think the length of the antenna is critical. You can verify the performance changes by extending the remaining sections of the broken antenna at various lenghts and judge yourself. Of course you can also use the external antenna wire that comes with the DE1103 instead.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "C.L.Benson" <clydebenson@...> wrote:
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>
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1198. Re: [de1103] Re: The top section of my antenna broke off on my two year old Degen 1103... :-(

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-26 02:04:21 UTC
From: C.L.Benson
Topic: 1191 Message: 1198

Thanks,

It seems to work just as well even with the top section missing. When i use it in my bedroom, I usually have it hooked up to the Degen antenna which works very well. I guess it was more sorrow at ruining the appearance of the radio than anything else.

Thanks for reassuring me.

I'm having some problems with the volume control also. When i push the button and turn the dial often the volume no longer changes. I have to dial in the level and change it that way.

Other than that, it still performs incredibly well.

AmenRa

At 07:25 PM 8/25/2007, you wrote:

>No a big deal. Dont think the length of the antenna is critical. You can
>verify the performance changes by extending the remaining sections of
>the broken antenna at various lenghts and judge yourself. Of course you
>can also use the external antenna wire that comes with the DE1103
>instead.
>
>--- In <mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com>de1103@yahoogroups.com,
>"C.L.Benson" <clydebenson@...> wrote:
> >
> > Will the radio still work OK without the top piece?
> >
> > What shall I expect to not have to do in order to receive not less
> > than a great performance from the raydio?
> >
>
>

1199. Re: [de1103] Re: The top section of my antenna broke off on my two year old Degen 1103... :-(

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-26 02:39:13 UTC
From: Dave Spicer
Topic: 1191 Message: 1199

> I guess it was more sorrow at ruining the appearance of the radio
> than anything else.

Maybe a very small cotter pin could be inserted into the end of the second section and crimped into place? Think "customized" instead of "ruined" :-)

- Dave

1200. Sensitivy on LF/MF?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-30 04:15:32 UTC
From: oh5yw
Topic: 1200 Message: 1200

Hello to the group!

Just bought my DE1130 and wonering if there is any mods for sensitivy improvemnt on LF?

Radio is ok with its own ferrite antenna, but when connecting external aerial, loop antenna, to antenna jack, sensitivy is far from other radios, Sangean etc.

Any help?

Kari
Finland

1201. RE: [de1103] Sensitivy on LF/MF?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-30 11:46:27 UTC
From: D. Kremp
Topic: 1200 Message: 1201

Hi Kari,

This is a fine receiver except on LF.

It's the only drawback I found.

I mentioned it in my post to the list (21 may 2007 / number 1082) some weeks ago. Since that time I made some tests at various places and with various antennas. I got slightly better results on LF with an external antenna ("under 100 kHz tuning method") using a longwire with an antenna tuner (YAESU FRT 7700). Outside the house the LF reception is quite good with the whip antenna. But it's far not so good as the GRUNDIG Satellit 700 with its ferrite antenna.

BTW I noticed that the receiver has to be hold in the hand when used with an external antenna on LF/MF to get rid of a strong internal noise, like if it would need an earth connection, which I never tried.

I'm looking like you for any possible mod which could improve the LF sensivity.

All the best from Normandy/France to Finland

Dominique

De : de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] De la part de oh5yw
Envoyé : jeudi 30 août 2007 06:16
À : de1103@yahoogroups.com
Objet : [de1103] Sensitivy on LF/MF?

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Finland

1202. Re: [de1103] Sensitivy on LF/MF?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-30 12:19:34 UTC
From: Kari Syrjänen
Topic: 1200 Message: 1202
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

[Attachment content not displayed]

1203. RE: [de1103] Sensitivy on LF/MF?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-08-30 13:22:22 UTC
From: D. Kremp
Topic: 1200 Message: 1203

I don't know, I didn't try that !

Let us know about the results !

Good luck

Dominique

De : de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] De la part de
Kari Syrjänen
Envoyé : jeudi 30 août 2007 14:20
À : de1103@yahoogroups.com
Objet : Re: [de1103] Sensitivy on LF/MF?

Hi Dominique et al

How about winding few turns of coil around ferrite antenna and connecting
external antenna into it?
Is there enough space inside?

Kari

2007/8/30, D. Kremp < dominique.kremp@ <mailto:dominique.kremp@...>
wanadoo.fr>:

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Any help?

Kari
Finland

1204. Re: IF filters 10.7MHz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-01 16:45:22 UTC
From: ok_3022
Topic: 425 Message: 1204

ahoj jaro,
ty jsi asi "krysa" si myslim, ale o to nejde,
tak co? uz jsi vyzkousel vymenit ty filtry? ma to efekt?
rad bych tu upravu provedl taky, ale netroufam si, abych to nezhorsil,
nemam totiz takove vybaveni a vercajk jako odsavacku atd. abych to moh
provest poradne. Ale ta prumerna selektivita na FM me taky na de1103
vadi. Ozvi se mi na email, mozna bys mi pohohl a vymenili bysme si
zkusenosti s prijmem DE1103. Ted jsem taky uvazoval o zakoupeni
DE1121, ale vetsina ohlasu na tento model je spis negativni.
Zdravi te
ok_3022@...

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Jara" <krysatec@...> wrote:
>
> Hi all,
>
> I want change IF filters 10.7MHz - I need not "hi-fi" stereo but I
> need better selectivity. Do you know anybody who tested it and do you
> have any photos and good advices for me?
>
> Did you tested also signal from pin 19 of TA2057 for external RDS
> decoder?
>
> Idea: I think that we can use connector "line out" for mono FM and AM
> audio out and also for output for RDS decoder...
>
> Many thanks for help!
>
> Best regards, Jara "Rat"
>
> PS.: I heard yesterday many stations from Turkey with only telescope
> antenna! (E sporadic layer...)
>
> Sorry, I speak english a little, I learnt english 25y ago.
>

1205. front end?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-02 13:21:54 UTC
From: a1aopr
Topic: 1205 Message: 1205

I was listening to my Degen 1103 before turning in last night using the reel in wire antenna and it was working fine. This morning I turned it on and to my chagrin, there was just noise where the sw and mw bands should have been. The fm works. I've tried leaving the batteries out for a while, but that didn't work. I haven't tried a reset yet cuz I don't want to lose my memories. I also have the Kaito 1103 (which has a stateside warrantee), but unfortunately that radio is not with me here on vacation. Fortunately I also brought my 1102 and Mini 100PE as back-ups. Is the front end toast? 73, Jerry.

1206. Re: front end?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-02 14:00:28 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1205 Message: 1206

I'm sorry to hear about your DE1103. I'd be really unhappy if that happened to me. I own some of the most highly regarded SW portables (Sony 7600GR, 2010 and Radio Shack DX-398) but I use my KA1103 almost all the time. I don't think anything would work if the front end got fried. I know this doesn't help for right now but at least you have another one at home.

Were you running it off AC or batteries? I assume you were using it indoors? I'd try new batteries (alkalines unless you can charge your internal batteries outside of the radio) first and if that's not it I'd try the reset. You can always re-enter your memories.

If it turns out that you're gong to have to replace it I'd pay the extra money for a Kaito. I did and I think it's worth it.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "a1aopr" <a1aop@...> wrote:
>
> I was listening to my Degen 1103 before turning in last night using the
> reel in wire antenna and it was working fine. This morning I turned it
> on and to my chagrin, there was just noise where the sw and mw bands
> should have been. The fm works. I've tried leaving the batteries out
> for a while, but that didn't work. I haven't tried a reset yet cuz I
> don't want to lose my memories. I also have the Kaito 1103 (which has a
> stateside warrantee), but unfortunately that radio is not with me here
> on vacation. Fortunately I also brought my 1102 and Mini 100PE as back-
> ups. Is the front end toast? 73, Jerry.

1207. Re: front end?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-02 14:01:13 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1205 Message: 1207

Hopefully not, yet the symptoms show it is highly likely because a long wire antenna can pickup "Much" more statics to destroy the front end than a short antenna.
Good luck !

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "a1aopr" <a1aop@...> wrote:
>
> I was listening to my Degen 1103 before turning in last night using the
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> stateside warrantee), but unfortunately that radio is not with me here
> on vacation. Fortunately I also brought my 1102 and Mini 100PE as back-
> ups. Is the front end toast? 73, Jerry.
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1208. charging

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-02 14:52:07 UTC
From: DON TILLMAN
Topic: 1208 Message: 1208

How long do i need to charge the batteries that came with the radio for a full charge?Will the radio overcharge or cut off?I am using the radio charger.I have a KAITO 1103.

1209. Re: [de1103] charging

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-02 15:15:23 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1208 Message: 1209

----- Original Message -----
From: "DON TILLMAN" <tillman_don@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 02, 2007 3:52 PM
Subject: [de1103] charging

> How long do i need to charge the batteries that came with the radio for
> a full charge?Will the radio overcharge or cut off?I am using the radio
> charger.I have a KAITO 1103.

The current is limited so you won't overcharge the batteries and the
charging time will depend on the state of charge of the batteries. I find it
better to use a separate charger, the power unit supplied with the radio is
too noisy.

Leon
--
Leon Heller
Amateur radio call-sign G1HSM
Yaesu FT-817ND and FT-857D transceivers
Suzuki SV1000S motorcycle
leon355@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller

1210. Re: charging

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-02 16:15:06 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 1208 Message: 1210

Check for earlier posts. I use a smart Powerex MH c401FS charger.
It's got a slow charge (5hr) option that charges the stock Degen
batteries just fine without frying them. I use Powerex batteries in
my DE1107 and DE1103 and I'm very happen with them.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "DON TILLMAN" <tillman_don@...> wrote:
>
> How long do i need to charge the batteries that came with the radio for
> a full charge?Will the radio overcharge or cut off?I am using the radio
> charger.I have a KAITO 1103.
>

1211. RE: [de1103] Re: charging

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-02 16:30:36 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1208 Message: 1211

Ditto, but in short... try a separate charger with LED charge indicator, it will be better...

Horacio
uruguay

Nash <nash2042004@...> escribi?:
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batteries just fine without frying them. I use Powerex batteries in
my DE1107 and DE1103 and I'm very happen with them.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "DON TILLMAN" <tillman_don@...> wrote:
>
> How long do i need to charge the batteries that came with the radio for
> a full charge?Will the radio overcharge or cut off?I am using the radio
> charger.I have a KAITO 1103.
>

Horacio Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

S? un Mejor Amante del Cine
?Quieres saber c?mo? ?Deja que otras personas te ayuden!.

1212. Re: front end?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-02 17:14:45 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1205 Message: 1212

The portable windup antenna he's using is only 23 feet long. I wouldn't call that a long wire antenna. It's likely he's using it indoors because he's on vacation. If it was running off AC maybe some problem wit that caused this.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
>
> Hopefully not, yet the symptoms show it is highly likely because a
> long wire antenna can pickup "Much" more statics to destroy the front
> end than a short antenna.
> Good luck !

1213. Re: front end?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-02 19:38:24 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1205 Message: 1213

Sure 23 feet is not very long when compared to the AM broadcast
wavelengths but it is still long enought to pickup
statics/thunderstorms/lightening ... either inside or outside the house
and kills the frontends by bad lucks. As long as the FM works OK.---
The FM frontend is a seperate section from other AM bands; therefore
likely only the AM frontend was "Fired".
Cannot be a power supply problem; otherwise a dead power supply (either
from the batteries or the AC line) will make both the AM and FM
unoperative (not just the AM bands) More importantly the DE1103
displays will remain blank all the times -- if the power supply
failed. What do u think?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Dennis Gibson" <wb6tnb@...> wrote:
>
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> wouldn't call that a long wire antenna. It's likely he's using it
> indoors because he's on vacation. If it was running off AC maybe some
> problem wit that caused this.
>
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> > long wire antenna can pickup "Much" more statics to destroy the
front
> > end than a short antenna.
> > Good luck !
>

1214. Re: front end?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-02 23:53:56 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1205 Message: 1214

I don't think (I know) that you know a lot more about this than I do.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
>
> Sure 23 feet is not very long when compared to the AM broadcast
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> statics/thunderstorms/lightening ... either inside or outside the house
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> displays will remain blank all the times -- if the power supply
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1215. Re: front end?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-03 00:03:01 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1205 Message: 1215

That wasn't phrased very well. I meant to say that you absolutely do know a lot more about this than I do. I should have said "I don't think that you know a lot more about this than I do, I know that you know a lot more about this than I do".

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Dennis Gibson" <wb6tnb@...> wrote:

> I don't think (I know) that you know a lot more about this than I do.

1216. Re: [de1103] Re: front end?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-03 09:05:21 UTC
From: Eric Skeen
Topic: 1205 Message: 1216

Hi Dennis,

'Tis the Irish in you, is it not? ;>)

-Eric
That Guy in South Africa...
****
Vintage Tube Hobby Group:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vintage_tube/

****

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>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Dennis Gibson" <wb6tnb@...> wrote:
>
>> I don't think (I know) that you know a lot more about this than I do.

1217. Re: front end?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-03 16:11:29 UTC
From: a1aopr
Topic: 1205 Message: 1217

Thanks for all the replys to my plight, I guess if you own the 1103 this eventually happens if you neglect to do the mods that are available in this fine group. As soon as I get home I'll order the parts (wow! 100 fets for 9 dollars). With my eyesight I'll probably need at least 50 to succeed in getting one tacked to the board (I started out building Knight kits so big is preferred for me) LOL. I'll also do the protection diode mod. I've been taught a lesson with this radio. By the way, I was using it with the supplied Degen batteries, no power supply. Also, the radio would not reset when I finally tried that, either with the batteries installed or not. I even let it sit over night without batteries and tried a reset, and all my memories are still intact. Unusual? 73, Jerry.
In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Eric Skeen <northcom@...> wrote:
>
> Hi Dennis,
>
> 'Tis the Irish in you, is it not? ;>)
>
>
> -Eric
> That Guy in South Africa...
> **********
> Vintage Tube Hobby Group:
> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vintage_tube/
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> > know a lot more about this than I do".
> >
> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Dennis Gibson" wb6tnb@ wrote:
> >
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do.
>

1218. Re: front end?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-03 16:16:43 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1205 Message: 1218

I'm glad to hear that you can fix it yourself. I don't take radios
apart. Several disasters have occurred when I did.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "a1aopr" <a1aop@...> wrote:
>
> Thanks for all the replies to my plight, I guess if you own the 1103
this
> eventually happens if you neglect to do the mods that are available in
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> Also, the radio would not reset when I finally tried that, either with
> the batteries installed or not. I even let it sit over night without
> batteries and tried a reset, and all my memories are still intact.
> Unusual? 73, Jerry.

1219. Re: front end?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-03 19:06:35 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1205 Message: 1219

Please advise where to get such bargains (100 FETs for $9!) ---- I can use them for other projects too !

..... As soon as I get home I'll order the parts (wow! 100
> > fets for 9 dollars).

1220. Re: front end?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-03 20:50:54 UTC
From: a1aopr
Topic: 1205 Message: 1220

They can be found on ebay.
http://cgi.ebay.com/Surface-Mount-N-Channel-Junction-FET-BF861B-100_W0QQ\
itemZ170141148299QQihZ007QQcategoryZ4666QQcmdZViewItem
<http://cgi.ebay.com/Surface-Mount-N-Channel-Junction-FET-BF861B-100_W0Q\
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> ..... As soon as I get home I'll order the parts (wow! 100
> > > fets for 9 dollars).
>

1221. front end? happy ending!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-09 16:04:19 UTC
From: a1aopr
Topic: 1221 Message: 1221

Well I just wanted to say I was sucessful in fixing my Degen 1103 using the information found in the files section in this fine group. Thanks karkfumm for posting those and VE6TVT for coming up with the jfet replacement part. There seems to be no difference between the Degen and my almost new Kaito 1103. All's right with the world(band), at least here. Several things helped me get through my foray back into SMD work, first, get new desoldering braid (don't use what you bought 20 years ago), a fine point for my 35 watt iron, fine guage solder, plenty of light, and a magnifying headset (a low cost one from Harbor Freight tools), and the least amount of pressure on the iron to get the job done. The trickiest part was getting the board out of the back case for the flip over, then getting it back in without breaking anything, fine wires, plastic case parts, etc. This took more patience than the jfet replacement...for me. I've got a lot of radios, but why is it the one that gets brought back from the dead become your favorite? LOL. 73, Jerry.

1222. New Kaito 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-15 19:01:15 UTC
From: Mike McManus
Topic: 1222 Message: 1222

Hello,
I have just joined this group after buying a new Kaito 1103. I am curious about what other members off the group listen to while on short wave radio?
Mike McM.

--
I am using the free version of SPAMfighter for private users.
It has removed 1188 spam emails to date.
Paying users do not have this message in their emails.
Get the free SPAMfighter here: http://www.spamfighter.com/len

1223. Interesting Ham Radio Video Magazine reviews DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-15 23:47:01 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1223 Message: 1223

In AmateurLogic.TV, episode 15, posted in YouTube, there is a review of the Degen DE1103. Starts at 34min12sec.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MiwMKdaQCQ0

Horacio
Uruguay

Horacio Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

S? un Mejor Amante del Cine
?Quieres saber c?mo? ?Deja que otras personas te ayuden!.

1224. Re: Interesting Ham Radio Video Magazine reviews DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-16 13:51:51 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1223 Message: 1224

Thanks for the link Horacio!!!!!

Reg.: jan

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Horacio Nigro <hanigrodx@...> wrote:
>
> In AmateurLogic.TV, episode 15, posted in YouTube, there is a
review of the Degen DE1103. Starts at 34min12sec.
>
> http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MiwMKdaQCQ0
>
>
> Horacio
> Uruguay
>
>
> Horacio Nigro
> Montevideo
> Uruguay
>
> ---
>
> Sé un Mejor Amante del Cine
> ¿Quieres saber cómo? ¡Deja que otras personas te ayuden!.
>

1225. Re: Interesting Ham Radio Video Magazine reviews DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-17 00:45:28 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1223 Message: 1225

That should sell a few radios. I sure like mine. Everyone I've shown it to is impressed; I mostly hang out with MW DX'ers. I'm in the US so I spent a few extra $$ for the KA1103. The idea of having to ship it to China for repair didn't set well plus I got the correct adaptor.

73

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>
>
> Horacio
> Uruguay

1226. Newbie Question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-18 22:27:19 UTC
From: k9kz
Topic: 1226 Message: 1226

I plan to buy the KA-1103 soon. Where do you recommend buying?

Bill

1227. S-meter?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-19 07:59:34 UTC
From: tagt_the_spellcaster
Topic: 1227 Message: 1227

Hi all!
My new DE1103 just arrived a couple of days ago from China. Ultrafast shipping, but the usual delay in Italy's customs :-(
Well, to the problem:
I'm perfectly satisfied with this piece of equipment, but I noticed that the signal strength indicator... well, there isn't any signal strength indicator.
I read somewhere that this is perfectly normal in FM band, but I get no indicator in AM too.
Pls note that the indicator itself works well: it does indicate the battery charge, so there isn't any problem with the LCD's. But... when it comes to radio listening, the indicator disappears. Do you know if it's normal? Is there any fix?
Thanks a lot for answering :-)
Ciao
Ale (like "alex" without the "x", not like the beer :D) from Italy

1228. Re: Newbie Question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-19 15:57:39 UTC
From: notareallyreal
Topic: 1226 Message: 1228

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "k9kz" <bill.k9kz@...> wrote:
>
> I plan to buy the KA-1103 soon. Where do you recommend buying?
>
> Bill
>
Hi Bill
It depends where you live but the same receiver named DE1103 can be
easily bought from ebay.
At least I bought mine from ebay/Mr Liypn with Visa-card, straight
from Hongkong. Maybe its a good idea to buy the active antenna that
they are advertising, at least it is not too expensive.
49$ + shipping.
Delivery time (if no customs-delay) to europe about 10 days.
I have bought from him 2-radios, everything went fine.
Br

1229. Re: S-meter?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-19 16:24:42 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1227 Message: 1229

Does not sound right. The S meter/signal strength indicator should work on all AM bands (not just limited to the MW broadcast band). Hopefully it is simply a software problem. Try to reset the DE1103 (Please read the the manual as well as other discussions in this forum) Hope it helps.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "tagt_the_spellcaster" <tagt_the_spellcaster@...> wrote:
>
> Hi all!
> My new DE1103 just arrived a couple of days ago from China. Ultrafast
> shipping, but the usual delay in Italy's customs :-(
> Well, to the problem:
> I'm perfectly satisfied with this piece of equipment, but I noticed
> that the signal strength indicator... well, there isn't any signal
> strength indicator.
> I read somewhere that this is perfectly normal in FM band, but I get
> no indicator in AM too.
> Pls note that the indicator itself works well: it does indicate the
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> it comes to radio listening, the indicator disappears. Do you know if
> it's normal? Is there any fix?
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1230. Re: S-meter?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-19 17:58:47 UTC
From: tagt_the_spellcaster
Topic: 1227 Message: 1230

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
>
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> work on all AM bands (not just limited to the MW broadcast band).
> Hopefully it is simply a software problem. Try to reset the DE1103
> (Please read the the manual as well as other discussions in this
> forum) Hope it helps.

Thank you for your suggestion, unfortunately it didn't work. I tried a
normal reset and a complete reset, but neither succeeded.
It's not too bad, though, the radio works great anyway and the S can
be measured... by ear :)
Thanks a lot.
Ciao
Ale from Italy

1231. Tuning Problems?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-19 19:46:32 UTC
From: k9kz
Topic: 1231 Message: 1231

I am going to buy a Kaito KA-1103 soon. I am wondering if there have been problems with tuning with the knob. I know that many radios have had encoder problems, even expensive radios, but I am not familiar enough with the 1103 to know. It would be nice to think I will be able to use the knob without problems. I look forward to getting my KA-1103 soon. Also, how can I be sure to get the latest version KA-1103? I plan to buy from radios4you. Also, do you recommend the KAITO KA33 antenna to use with the 1103 or ??? Thanks!

Bill

1232. Re: Tuning Problems?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-19 20:35:17 UTC
From: rv43535
Topic: 1231 Message: 1232

I have had my KA-1103 for almost a year. With daily use, I have no problems with the encoder.

As for the antenna, it has been used to my advantage on numerous occasions. Recommended !

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "k9kz" <bill.k9kz@...> wrote:
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> been problems with tuning with the knob. I know that many radios have
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> plan to buy from radios4you. Also, do you recommend the KAITO KA33
> antenna to use with the 1103 or ??? Thanks!
>
> Bill
>

1233. Re: S-meter?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-19 21:03:41 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1227 Message: 1233

If the AM stations signals are weak they may fail to turn on the S meter (however very unlikely every AM station signals was weak in all AM bands.) You can compare the DE1103 performance with any "cheap"radio at the same location.
Am afraid the worst can be happened now (loosen PC board groundings, cold soldering joints, bad components .....)
Since all AM bands share the same FET frontend which is subjected to be ""Fired"' --burn out-- by statics, lightening, near by transmitters ..... Even with a dead frontend, as long as if the stations signals were strong enough they still can pass through the "dead" AM frontend FET, but highly attenuated. ..... Please see discussions in this forum. Hope this is not your case, good luck !

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "tagt_the_spellcaster" <tagt_the_spellcaster@...> wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@> wrote:
> >
> > Does not sound right. The S meter/signal strength indicator should
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> Thank you for your suggestion, unfortunately it didn't work. I tried a
> normal reset and a complete reset, but neither succeeded.
> It's not too bad, though, the radio works great anyway and the S can
> be measured... by ear :)
> Thanks a lot.
> Ciao
> Ale from Italy
>

1234. Re: [de1103] Tuning Problems?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-19 20:14:33 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1231 Message: 1234

----- Original Message -----
From: "k9kz" <bill.k9kz@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 19, 2007 8:46 PM
Subject: [de1103] Tuning Problems?

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> soon. Also, how can I be sure to get the latest version KA-1103? I
> plan to buy from radios4you. Also, do you recommend the KAITO KA33
> antenna to use with the 1103 or ??? Thanks!

Many of the early radios did have encoders that often failed (they had metal
shafts). The current encoders with plastic shafts don't give any problems.
The shaft material didn't have anything to do with, of course.

Leon

1235. Re: S-meter?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-20 15:34:15 UTC
From: tagt_the_spellcaster
Topic: 1227 Message: 1235

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
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> meter (however very unlikely every AM station signals was weak in all
> AM bands.) You can compare the DE1103 performance with
> any "cheap"radio at the same location.
> Am afraid the worst can be happened now (loosen PC board groundings,
> cold soldering joints, bad components .....)

Well, I tried everything, now. It seems there's something bad with the
s-meter circuit; but everything else works fine. I'm hearing Dunge
Mezopotamya right now, I think if the frontend was burned I couldn't
hear such a distant station - and at 17.30 PM local time the radio
begins to give me some real satisfaction, shooting out literally
hundreds of stations in every possible language.
It also works fine and copies a (very faint) transmission on the 5 kHz
- yes I did the mod - SINFO 14341; almost unaudible, but *very* clear.
So, I'll live without s-meter - I can stand it :)
Ciao
Ale from Italy

1236. Re: S-meter?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-20 18:01:39 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1227 Message: 1236

After doing the Mod u may fail/overlook to put every wire/connector
back to the right place and tighten all screws/connections?
Nevertheless what Mod u have done?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "tagt_the_spellcaster"
<tagt_the_spellcaster@...> wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@> wrote:
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> Ciao
> Ale from Italy
>

1237. Re: S-meter?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-21 08:39:31 UTC
From: tagt_the_spellcaster
Topic: 1227 Message: 1237

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
>
> After doing the Mod u may fail/overlook to put every wire/connector
> back to the right place and tighten all screws/connections?
> Nevertheless what Mod u have done?

Er... I didn't take the radio apart (I'm no good homebrewer), I just
did the extension mod - the one that allows hearing the frequencies
under 100KHz. I begin to think there must be some software problem,
because everything else works veeeeeeeery well - yesterday I was able
to hear some (very faint, indeed, and very disturbed) south american
radio, which is so rare here in Europe - on the tropical band.
Thank you and
Ciao
Ale from Italy

1238. Re: S-meter?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-21 12:34:03 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1227 Message: 1238

Do you mean entried certain switches/keys combinations sequences of the DE1103 so as to reprogram for signals under 100Khs? (as mentioned by the Russian guys mentioned in this forum's files articles.) May be u can search the net or discuss such De-programing problem in this forum.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "tagt_the_spellcaster" <tagt_the_spellcaster@...> wrote:
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> to hear some (very faint, indeed, and very disturbed) south american
> radio, which is so rare here in Europe - on the tropical band.
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1239. Re: S-meter?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-21 14:14:44 UTC
From: tagt_the_spellcaster
Topic: 1227 Message: 1239

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
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> by the Russian guys mentioned in this forum's files articles.) May
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> forum.

Yes, that's just what I meant. I thought that a complete reset would
do the job - in fact, as soon as I did it I found it was impossibile
to go down under the 100kHz - oh wait: it could be that only the
memories were gone. OK, then: is there any means that you know that
could de-program that mod?
I'm going to chase it down on the net.
Thx alot for your help
Ciao
Ale from Italy

1240. Re: S-meter?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-22 03:52:36 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1227 Message: 1240

Try this "RESET" before figure out how to do any software de-
programing:
It works for most memory resides electronic devices(eg. car radio,
cordless phones, timers ....) but may not work for the DE1103.

1. Remove the batteries from the DE1103.
2. Put the batteries back a few days afterwards. Hope the memory
keeping capacitor(s) will then fully "Discharged" --residential
charges drained by itself.
3. Turn on the radio and hope DE1103 has reset by itself.
Good luck !

-- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "tagt_the_spellcaster"
<tagt_the_spellcaster@...> wrote:
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1241. Is there a definative FET test?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-21 18:35:36 UTC
From: ramon_pax
Topic: 1241 Message: 1241

Since coming here, I have been worried that my FET front end has been blown. I am able to pick up what I guess are strong stations. I heard Radio Thailand last night on 5 MHz and Voice of Russia on 13 MHz using my long wire, and there was a lot of activity that I wasn't sure where it was from in Spanish Likely down South in Latin America. I get a lot of whistling
and static sound. How can I tell if I need to replace the FET? Also, could adding some sort of
impedence matcher on my long wire help, if so would a homebrewed torrioid or ferrite bar help?

1242. Re: Is there a definative FET test?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-22 17:29:19 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1241 Message: 1242

1. Try to compare the DE1103 performance against any "cheap" radio at the same location(s). If the DE1103 peforms even worst (sensitivity dropped noticably)than a "cheap"radio, it is almost sure that the FET was FIRED/gone !

2. Build an ATU(Antenna Tuner Unit) so as to optimize the matchings between than antenna and the DE1103.
Better avoid those ferrite bar type --- without effective shieldings they will pickup more local noise by its own ferrite bar rather than getting signals from the external outdoor antenna. Please see the Files folder of this forum (Schm_ATU.jpg). Also u will find other info about ATUs in the internet too.
Beware most unknown brand units advertised for SWL are gimmicks and does not worth the $ paid for (they may even cost more than a DE1103!)
Again a good/effective outdoor antenna (neither with nor without an ATU) may heighten the chance to "FIRE" your DE1103's frontend FET !

Hope it helps.

Also, could adding some sort of
> impedence matcher on my long wire help, if so would a homebrewed torrioid or ferrite bar
> help?
>

1243. Re: Is there a definative FET test?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-24 17:00:18 UTC
From: kf0oujf
Topic: 1241 Message: 1243

I think mine is blown too. AM (MW and SW) receives nothing. FM is ok.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "ramon_pax" <ramon_pax@...> wrote:
>
> Since coming here, I have been worried that my FET front end has
been blown. I am able to
> pick up what I guess are strong stations. I heard Radio Thailand
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> Voice of Russia on 13 MHz using my long wire, and there was a lot of
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> impedence matcher on my long wire help, if so would a homebrewed
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> help?
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1244. Re: Is there a definative FET test?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-25 18:41:21 UTC
From: ramon_pax
Topic: 1241 Message: 1244

Thanks. I ended up buying the pieces for the impedance matcher allready so I will give that a try anyway. I will try to shield it someway. Anyway, I will look into the ATU instructions.

Thanks for the response.

1245. Time after time

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-27 08:07:15 UTC
From: tagt_the_spellcaster
Topic: 1245 Message: 1245

Well, I know you all know there are times where your radio works best...but I just wanted to point out that:
if I try to listen to AM transmissions at, say, 3 PM, with the whip all in, in my house, perhaps in the center of a room, chances are that I'm going to receive nothing but interference, which may lead into thinking that the FET is gone.
BUT... if I turn on my radio at about 8 PM (or whatever; I mean, during sunset and in the dusk), extending the wire antenna well outside my home... well, chances are that the radio suddendly comes out with *LOTS* of trasmissions.
I know that you know... but if you think you have a burned FET, have you tried the Tagt Solution? :-)
Go out just after the sun is set, extend your wire antenna, turn on the radio... and listen.
I repeat: I know that you know, but... ;-)
Ciao
Ale from Italy

1246. Re: Time after time

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-27 14:24:58 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1245 Message: 1246

Still suggest if you can make a performance comparision with a
CHEAP radio under the same situations (same time, same location,
same stations ....) to rule out any doubts. --- Just beware anything
unexpected .

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "tagt_the_spellcaster"
<tagt_the_spellcaster@...> wrote:
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> best...but I just wanted to point out that:
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> the radio... and listen.
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> Ciao
> Ale from Italy
>

1247. Re: Time after time

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-09-28 10:00:17 UTC
From: tagt_the_spellcaster
Topic: 1245 Message: 1247

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
>
> Still suggest if you can make a performance comparision with a
> CHEAP radio under the same situations (same time, same location,
> same stations ....) to rule out any doubts. --- Just beware anything
> unexpected .

Yes, that's a test I'm going to do this week end. First of all I have
to buy a cheap radio :) (there's a lot of chinese shops in my town...
it should be not difficult to have a 5 dollars AM radio there).
And should the test be... er... disappointing, I'm going to ask a
friend of mine to take out the soldering iron.
Thanks and
Ciao
Ale from Italy

1248. Whew!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-07 08:03:22 UTC
From: tagt_the_spellcaster
Topic: 1248 Message: 1248

OK, that's the good news: I just bought a cheap SW radio (10 euros, with cassette recorder and -non working :)- digital clock, batteries included) and I made some comparison. Well, NO comparison is possible, indeed :-)
The cheap radio can actually receive the strongest stations - and I'm happy with it: I can introduce my sons with this activity, without worrying that they break some important piece of equipment. I think such a cheap radio should be in every family's home.
But, and that's the best part of it, if compared with the DE1103, it's almost mute... some stations I can hear relatively well with the Degen, are absolutely inaudible with the cheap radio.
So, I'm twice happy :-)
Ciao a tutti
Ale from Italy

1249. LW/MW and FM ok, SW not. Is Q1 burned?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-13 02:23:02 UTC
From: huelbeag
Topic: 1249 Message: 1249

Dear group,

a 1103 of mine has this behavior: everything seems to work ok, except shortwaves (1715-29999KHz) using whip or external antenna.

Would be this behavior caused by a Q1 burned? Would a J310 (yes! the silicon, normal-size, not-SMD) a good replacement (despite its physical size...) ?

I have checked the schematics. Actually, I am no electronics guy... but it seems signal for MW and SW are routed to Q6 (top left on the schematic, above TA7358). Before Q6 there is the attenuator switch S1 (on the mid-left).

Q1 and Q35 (top-left) are the preamp and switch for SW band (respectively). Q14 and Q3 are the preamp and switch to MW band.

Any comments will be much appreciated!

Huelbe Garcia
Brazil

1250. Just got a DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-12 09:35:42 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 1250 Message: 1250

The Eham owner reviews are a help once again.

Now I can understand/appreciate some comments about operation weirdness, but Im not moaning as it is a great receiver.

After setting timer for 13 hour charge in order to use it, 30 mins later some fully charged batts were offered. In a curious rush to use radio, I disconnected psu and as you guys probably have already found... the internal timer carries on regardless and disables operation. A reset woke it up but I thought that could prompt people to say it was faulty and start screaming for a RMA lol

oh BTW, the supplied PSU has US 2 flat pins, but I found this fits ok into a standard UK shaver plug no worries.

After a few hours doing the "I wonder if it receives..?" mode, I don't see how you can receive FM on 27mhz, but thats no great loss (31Mhz fm is just being nosey)

Thanks for your postings guys, points noted re front end and static.

now to re-raise the HF antenna after a service (old atu will come in handy)

Have fun

Mike
G0HCI

1251. Re: Just got a DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-13 15:42:49 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1250 Message: 1251

Please beware the US line voltages is 120V while the UK's is 240V AC.
Likey your PSU may be designed only for operating either on 120V or
240V (but not both !) What is the specifications stated on your PSU?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mike" <g0hci@...> wrote:
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>

1252. Re: [de1103] Just got a DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-13 21:00:48 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn PB6027)
Topic: 1250 Message: 1252

I have a yeasu frt-7700 from ebay and a high quality old insulated cat5 wire..silver stranded at 50 ft to a tree
man you should hear the stations booming in with the Degen 1103!

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: Mike
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, October 12, 2007 5:35 AM
Subject: [de1103] Just got a DE1103

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1253. Re: Just got a DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-14 03:55:57 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1250 Message: 1253

I have a number of good to excellent shortwave radios (Sonys, Sangeans, and an Eton to mention a few) and I find myself reaching for the KA1103 (I have the Kaito version) a lot of the time. The sensitivity and selectivity are amazing for the price. It replaced my Radio Shack DX-398 (aka Sangean ATS-909) as my travel radio. Except for one that was given to me it is the least expensive. You made an excellent choice.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul \(Skywarn PB6027\)" <wxwatch@...> wrote:
>
> I have a yeasu frt-7700 from ebay and a high quality old insulated cat5 wire..silver stranded at 50 ft to a tree
> man you should hear the stations booming in with the Degen 1103!
>
> Paul

1254. DE/KA-1103 versus ATS-909

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-14 09:59:20 UTC
From: D.Kremp
Topic: 1254 Message: 1254

Hi everybody,
I bought a DE1103 some months ago and I must say it's a marvelous receiver if I consider the frequencies above 500 kHz. The LW band is very poor even if the whip-antenna is internally switched on ("disclosure" mod.). As I'm fond of NDBs (non directional beacons) which are to be found from say 200 kHz to 500kHz and as I wanted to use this small and handy Rx when I'm travelling, I'm more than a bit frustated.
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Has anybody experienced both receivers side by side especially on the LW band ?
Thanks in advance.
Have a nice Sunday

Dominique
from Normandy/France

1255. New DE1103 will not turn on!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-14 13:43:49 UTC
From: rugelj2002
Topic: 1255 Message: 1255

My new DE1103 (received yesterday) will not turn on!

Have owned the KA1103 previously so am familiar with unit!

Have tried everything! Any suggestions?? There is a small

click when turned on but nothing happens!

1256. Re: [de1103] New DE1103 will not turn on!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-14 14:46:07 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1255 Message: 1256

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----- Original Message -----
From: "rugelj2002" <rugelj2002@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 14, 2007 2:43 PM
Subject: [de1103] New DE1103 will not turn on!!!

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Have you tried resetting it?

Leon
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1257. Re: Just got a DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-14 14:57:18 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 1250 Message: 1257

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
>
> Please beware the US line voltages is 120V while the UK's is 240V
AC.
> Likey your PSU may be designed only for operating either on 120V
or
> 240V (but not both !) What is the specifications stated on your
PSU?

240v - Seller advert offers travel adapters but as I pointed out -
psu 2 pin fits UK shaver plug, so no worries for UK users.

Gotta go put hf vertical back up now - then I'll have my lovely
Kenwood TS480sat (and I wont resist making an unfair comparison)
The thing is, I have been listening to amateurs over the weekend on
all bands with a bit of wire in the bedroom.

For the few that dont know, there is lots of downloadable computer
software for decoding digital, cw, commercial air and sea
transmissions.

See eham reviews or a google search

Radio is still fun after all these years.

Mike
G0HCI

1258. Re: New DE1103 will not turn on!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-14 15:46:23 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1255 Message: 1258

Have you checked the battery voltage? I just bought an Eton E10 (I think made by Degen); the supplied NiMh batteries were only .70 volts and wouldn't run the radio or charge inside it. I charged them on a separate charger and now everything is normal.

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1259. Re: DE/KA-1103 versus ATS-909

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-14 16:01:37 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1254 Message: 1259

I own both (actually the identical Radio Shack DX-398 and Kaito KA1103) but haven't tried either on LW. Using the internal antennas the KA1103 is much more sensitive than the DX-398. It works poorly without external antennas. This is a common complaint. The battery life is very short.

In France there should be many strong signals on SW so the whip might be all you need. I live in California and there are lots of weak SW signals. It's an excellent radio when using a passive loop for MW and a short wire for SW. The KA1103 has replaced the DX-398 as my travel radio.

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1260. Re: DE/KA-1103 versus ATS-909

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-14 20:03:22 UTC
From: kj6mc
Topic: 1254 Message: 1260

Dominique:

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1261. Low sensitivity on the whip, Sometimes

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-15 14:49:13 UTC
From: Phil Pasteur
Topic: 1261 Message: 1261

Hello all,

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I notice that when the radio is running on battery power the AM sensitivity across all bands is low when the radio is sitting on its stand. If I pick it up and wrap my hand around the left side of the radio, reception improves significantly. If I plug in the AC adapter, reception is good and does not change when the radio is handled. Touching the antenna directly doesn't seem make nearly as much difference

It would appear that handling the radio must use my body as a kind of ground perhaps capacitively (maybe inductively?) coupled or something similar.

My radio is the KA1103. It is one of the early models and is modified with both the audio resister mod that many of the early radios seemed to need, and I installed the Diode mod that I got from Kiwa to protect the front end from static that can be introduced through the whip.

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Phil P.

1262. RE: [de1103] Low sensitivity on the whip, Sometimes

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-15 17:01:17 UTC
From: D.Kremp
Topic: 1261 Message: 1262

Hi Phil,

I agree with you about what you are experiencing. I must say I was about to post a question concerning that !

My DE1103 is'nt modified at all, I have neither the audio resister mod nor the diode one. I don't know the reason why the sensivity improves when I wrap my hand around the left side.

Does anybody have any explanation ?

Dominique

from Normandy/France

De : de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] De la part de Phil Pasteur
Envoyé : lundi 15 octobre 2007 16:49
À : de1103@yahoogroups.com
Objet : [de1103] Low sensitivity on the whip, Sometimes

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1263. Re: DE/KA-1103 versus ATS-909 - To KJ6MC

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-15 17:50:26 UTC
From: D.Kremp
Topic: 1254 Message: 1263

Hi Greg,

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Dominique

De : de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] De la part de kj6mc
Envoyé : dimanche 14 octobre 2007 22:03
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1264. Audio Distortion, 1103 and Eton E5

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-15 19:46:17 UTC
From: old_speaker_guy
Topic: 1264 Message: 1264

Hi all,

I bought an 1103 that had the audio clipping issue that a number of the earlier units suffered from. Changing the resistors to knock down the gain did the trick, as commented on by others. Well, more recently I picked up an Eton E5 as the Toronto "The Source" stores were closing them out at $69.95. It also suffers from high distortion although the characteristics are a little different.

It seems more related to the volume control and its steps. At volume settings of 7 or less the distortion seems to climb a lot. This is a problem with headphones where I typically use a pretty low setting. Does anybody know anything about this? I thought the 1103 and the E5 used the same RF/Audio board (obviously the control boards are different) but the E5 has a 32 step volume control and the 1103 has a 64 step control, so there must be at least minor differences.

Any idea if the gain reduction trick would work on an E5?

Thanks,
David

1265. Re: [de1103] Low sensitivity on the whip, Sometimes

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-15 17:11:35 UTC
From: George Druther
Topic: 1261 Message: 1265

Dominique & Phil

The whip isn't used on AM bcst.band.
The AM antenna is a ferite antenna (probably on the left side of the radio).
If you had read the instruction manual you would have found this out.
It is directive and you should rotate the radio for maximum signal.

George K2EWL

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1266. Re: [de1103] Re: DE/KA-1103 versus ATS-909 - To KJ6MC

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-15 23:54:18 UTC
From: Camilo So
Topic: 1254 Message: 1266

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From: D.Kremp
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, October 15, 2007 1:50 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: DE/KA-1103 versus ATS-909 - To KJ6MC

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1267. Re: DE/KA-1103 versus ATS-909 - To KJ6MC

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-16 02:30:32 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1254 Message: 1267

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "D.Kremp" <dominique.kremp@...> wrote:
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> Dominique

It would be interesting to see what sort of results are available with a coupled loop antenna for both of the radios in the daytime test, probably because I don't want to have to buy a dedicated lw receiver, at least not yet.

Gordon Cooper
Bremerton, WA

1268. Re: [de1103] Re: DE/KA-1103 versus ATS-909 - To KJ6MC

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-16 08:26:10 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1254 Message: 1268

----- Original Message -----
From: Camilo So
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, October 16, 2007 12:54 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: DE/KA-1103 versus ATS-909 - To KJ6MC

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Leon

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1269. Re: DE/KA-1103 versus ATS-909

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-16 10:06:37 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 1254 Message: 1269

Greg,

At LW frequencies reception is via the built in ferrite rod, not the whip. I hope you were orienting each radio for best reception in each case. I mention this because although I don't listen to LW I find the KA1103/DE1103 to be so much more sensitive than the ATS909 on MW and SW that your results surprise me.

Jay

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1270. Re: [de1103] Re: DE/KA-1103 versus ATS-909 - To KJ6MC

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-16 12:43:03 UTC
From: Camilo So
Topic: 1254 Message: 1270

Thank you for the fast reply.

W4CSO

----- Original Message -----
From: Leon
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, October 16, 2007 4:26 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: DE/KA-1103 versus ATS-909 - To KJ6MC

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1271. Re: Low sensitivity on the whip, Sometimes

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-16 13:46:22 UTC
From: Phil Pasteur
Topic: 1261 Message: 1271

George,
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Here is the quote:

"I notice that when the radio is running on battery power the AM sensitivity **across all bands** is low when the radio is sitting on its stand."

In any case, I suppose that I should clarify this so that others do not misunderstand what I am asking about.

My SW listening is predominantly AM on whatever band that might interest me, this includes all of the SW bands AND MW/BCB!
SW uses the whip (and there is a hack that allows the whip to be used for BCB/MW reception as well).

The change of sensitivity that I am talking about occurs during SW reception of AM signals on all bands when the radio should be using the whip.
I would suppose that it happens with SSB reception as well, but I have never tried it to verify this. Because I said AM initially, I did not intend for anyone to think that the problem was only occurring on MW/BCB. Quite the opposite, I noticed this a few days ago when listening to WWV on 5000 and 10,000 kHz. These frequencies, if the radio was operating as it is supposedly designed to, would certainly be received using the whip.

Phil P.

Dominique & Phil

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1272. Re: Low sensitivity on the whip, Sometimes

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-17 19:08:32 UTC
From: Don
Topic: 1261 Message: 1272

I have the "hack" employed on my DE1103, mostly because I like to monitor 160 meters, which is at the high end of the U.S. broadcast band and I haven't really noticed a drop in sensitivity when running straight off battery. But I have noticed that movement of the whip either increases or diminishes the signal strength, but then that's normal on all bands. With the hack programmed in, the 1103 does operate off the whip and bi-passes that ferrite antenna designed for the broadcast band and works if you plug in an outside antenna as I do most often.

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> In any case, I suppose that I should clarify this so that others do not
> misunderstand what I am asking about.
>
> My SW listening is predominantly AM on whatever band that might interest me,
> this includes all of the SW bands AND MW/BCB!
> SW uses the whip (and there is a hack that allows the whip to be used for
> BCB/MW reception as well).
>
> The change of sensitivity that I am talking about occurs during SW reception
> of AM signals on all bands when the radio should be using the whip.
> I would suppose that it happens with SSB reception as well, but I have never
> tried it to verify this. Because I said AM initially, I did not intend for
> anyone to think that the problem was only occurring on MW/BCB. Quite the

> opposite, I noticed this a few days ago when listening to WWV on
5000 and
> 10,000 kHz. These frequencies, if the radio was operating as it is
> supposedly designed to, would certainly be received using the whip.
>
> Phil P.
>
>
> Dominique & Phil
>
> The whip isn't used on AM bcst.band.
> The AM antenna is a ferite antenna (probably on the left side of
> the radio).
> If you had read the instruction manual you would have found this
> out.
> It is directive and you should rotate the radio for maximum
> signal.
>
> George K2EWL
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>
> I notice that when the radio is running on battery power the AM
sensitivity
> across all bands is low when the radio is sitting on its stand. If
I pick it
> up and wrap my hand around the left side of the radio, reception
improves
> significantly. If I plug in the AC adapter, reception is good and
does not
> change when the radio is handled. Touching the antenna directly
doesn't seem
> make nearly as much difference
>
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> D.Kremp wrote:
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>
> Hi Phil,
>
> I agree with you about what you are experiencing. I must say I
> was about to post a question concerning that !
>
> My DE1103 isn't modified at all, I have neither the audio
> resister mod nor the diode one. I don't know the reason why the
> sensivity improves when I wrap my hand around the left side.
>
> Does anybody have any explanation ?
>
> Dominique

>
> from Normandy/France
>

1273. Degen dead

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-17 22:11:03 UTC
From: Jordi Brunet
Topic: 1273 Message: 1273

Hi to all, a friend´s Degen DE1103 has been dead, the radio can´t operate and only the clock and battery charger are OK, I make some resets and the radio continues off, ideas to repare it??? 73+DX!! Jordi Brunet

1274. FM Selectivity problems

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-21 20:49:28 UTC
From: djkrikke
Topic: 1274 Message: 1274

Hi,

I've ordered my Degen de-1103 a few weeks ago and received it without any damages. The first time the radio operated, FM selectivity was really good, even long-distance fm stations could be heard without problems! But, after changing the batteries, every station below <88 mhz was gone. There was also a reduced selectivity on the whole fm band, only 3 stations going in to stereo without problems.

Now, when my father got the degen into his hands, he did something magical (only touched the antenne and turned it a few turns), and suddenly there was a perfect receipt again.

The radio was working the whole day with high selectivity, but a few minutes ago I changed tot the MW band, changed again to FM, and the stations disappeared again!

Is this perhaps a known problem with a (known) solution?

PS: these stations aren't pirate station and they were still broadcasting at the moments I couldn't receive them, also every other station wasn't going into stereo.

1275. Re: [de1103] FM Selectivity problems

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-21 22:06:40 UTC
From: Ok Ok
Topic: 1274 Message: 1275

1.Try to RESET the receiver according to the manual.
2.Several times move narrow-wide (news-music) switch, there is a "deaf point" between the two right positions, select thoroughly music or news, (avoid the middle point!).
3. Several times move thoroughly Local-DX switch, to the position-DX.

Good luck!

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1276. Re: FM Selectivity problems

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-22 15:44:01 UTC
From: djkrikke
Topic: 1274 Message: 1276

Thanks for your reply.

Seems like none of these suggestions actually worked, even when
moving the narrow/wide & local/dx selections powerfully.

The radio was checked before sending and everything was working well,
so I assume that the problem is caused by transport and results in a
bad-connection problem inside the radio. All other bands are still
working without any problems so it looks like only fm has selectivity
errors.

It hurts to see the radio work *very* well, receiving more stations
i've ever seen and then suddenly fail on every fm station around.

PS: I also tried using the adapter, but nothing changed.

Are there perhaps other suggestions?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Ok Ok <ok_3022@...> wrote:
>
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1277. Manual.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-22 15:49:40 UTC
From: commandden
Topic: 1277 Message: 1277

Ah, now, "...there's the rub!" No manual, no solutions. Where does one obtain one? Have the receiver, but misplaced the manual. Any suggestions?

1278. Re: Manual.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-22 16:10:18 UTC
From: djkrikke
Topic: 1277 Message: 1278

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "commandden" <commandden@...> wrote:
>
> Ah, now, "...there's the rub!" No manual, no solutions. Where does one
> obtain one? Have the receiver, but misplaced the manual. Any
suggestions?
>

Easily found by google :)

http://www.megahertz-magazine.com/aa_articles/RX%20DEGEN%20DE1103.pdf

1279. Re: [de1103] Manual.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-22 16:14:49 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1277 Message: 1279

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----- Original Message -----
From: "commandden" <commandden@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, October 22, 2007 4:49 PM
Subject: [de1103] Manual.

> Ah, now, "...there's the rub!" No manual, no solutions. Where does one
> obtain one? Have the receiver, but misplaced the manual. Any suggestions?

Have a look in the group's Files section.

Leon
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1280. Just ordered a 1103 from Radios4You

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-22 17:33:30 UTC
From: ak7dx
Topic: 1280 Message: 1280

Just got comfirmation of delivery next week of a KA1103 and KA33 ANT for Radios4You in Flordia.

Anyone dealt with this US Degen vendor before?

I have owned a SONY ICF-7600GR, 2110, 77 and 55 at various times along with numerious high-end military comerical HF rx's over the last 1015 years. Now I hope I'll be happy with just a small rx for travel and home listening. After reading numerious reviews from e.ham and other sites other than occusional dud and ergonomics issues it would seem to be agreat rx.

73 and good DX'ing

JM
Boise, Idaho

1281. Re: Just ordered a 1103 from Radios4You

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-22 18:04:53 UTC
From: David
Topic: 1280 Message: 1281

I bought mine from the same place several months ago. It was packaged well and I have had no problems. It is a great little radio.

David
KA4MIW

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "ak7dx" <bfdp1@...> wrote:
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> JM
> Boise, Idaho
>

1282. Re: Just ordered a 1103 from Radios4You

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-22 22:00:47 UTC
From: a1aopr
Topic: 1280 Message: 1282

I've gotten three radios off of them, one of which is a 1103 ....with a
warranty. I already had the Degen version from China, so when the front
end went, well you know, fix it or chuck it. It's an easy fix with the
files provided by this group. I enjoy both of mine. Good luck. Jerry.
--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "David" <dgu@...> wrote:
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> well and I have had no problems. It is a great little radio.
>
> David
> KA4MIW
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> > Boise, Idaho
> >
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1283. Re: [de1103] Just ordered a 1103 from Radios4You

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-22 23:01:05 UTC
From: KEN ATV
Topic: 1280 Message: 1283

I bought a Ka1103 from them a year or so ago with no issues at all. Radio has been fine and it is still the best portable I have had and I have had them all at one time or another.

1284. Re: [de1103] Just ordered a 1103 from Radios4You

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-23 00:41:32 UTC
From: John Ferguson
Topic: 1280 Message: 1284

I've ordered two from them -- one last year and one a few weeks ago when the first one got a static shock and blew the FET for AM. Quick shipping, great packaging.

ak7dx wrote:
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>
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> JM
> Boise, Idaho
>
>

1285. Re: Just ordered a 1103 from Radios4You

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-23 02:47:05 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1280 Message: 1285

I bought mine from Radios4You on eBay and it arrived in just a few days. I own some excellent radios (Sony ICF-2010, ICF-SW7600GR and Radio Shack DX-398 aka Sangean ATS-909) but the KA1103 never ceases to amaze me. I bought a 7600GR about three months before the KA1103. Now I only use the 7600GR when the synchronous detection is needed.

73 from WB6TNB

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "David" <dgu@...> wrote:
>
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> well and I have had no problems. It is a great little radio.
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> David
> KA4MIW

1286. Any experience with the KA-33 antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-26 18:40:44 UTC
From: ak7dx
Topic: 1286 Message: 1286

Was wondering if anyone had gotten this newer style loop antenna for SW/MW and how it worked?

73 and good DX'ing

JM
Boise, Idaho

1288. DEGEN 1103 arrives today IMPRESSED !

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-30 21:43:40 UTC
From: ak7dx
Topic: 1288 Message: 1288

My 1103 and KA-33 arrived from Radios4you about an hour ago via UPS
Good packing, radio worked right after batteries were installed. Solid
construction looks like a keeper.

Am listening on 40 meters @ 7210 LSB K6SOL in QSO with Seattle ham
(callsigbn unk) with the KA 33 antenna and also on the whip fully
collasped and locked in the radio!

Impressive I must say. The multi buttions willtake a bit to get used
to. Also my Nimhd batteries are 1200ma and green no writing.

73 and good DX'ing

JM
Boise, Idaho

1289. OK Now what to carry it in

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-30 22:06:57 UTC
From: ak7dx
Topic: 1289 Message: 1289

Previous post my 1103 and KA-33 arrived today.

Who has had good luck with a protective case?

Any suggestions or a protective carry case? maybe a small Pelican
(probably more the the radio and antenna combined)

Maybe a surplus store? a case that you can carry the antenna and
little parts and the radio and some spare batteries.
73 and good DX'ing

JM
Boise, Idaho

1290. Re: Any experience with the KA-33 antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-31 05:45:15 UTC
From: ramon_pax
Topic: 1286 Message: 1290

While the antenna isn't bad, I have not really seen any great improvement over the whip or a long wire. Maybe I am not using it right. I have heard that an impedance matcher can improve both a long wire and the KA 33 but I have yet to successfully try it. (I have been trying to jerry rig one instead of actually gluing the windings down and soldering the 1/8 mini females to the winding wires. I may also not be using the right ratio of windings. Also, I have no ground. I used myself and it helped a little bit, but still not so much that I
needed to use the KA 33 instead of the whip. If you find a way to get more out of the KA 33, let me know. ^_^

Andrew

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "ak7dx" <bfdp1@...> wrote:
>
> Was wondering if anyone had gotten this newer style loop antenna for
> SW/MW and how it worked?
>
> 73 and good DX'ing
>
> JM
> Boise, Idaho
>

1291. Re: Any experience with the KA-33 antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-31 06:00:23 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1286 Message: 1291

I have the KA31 (shortwave only) and I don't get any improvement when using it. I don't think it's defective. There's only one place I can hang it but perhaps if it was pointing in a different direction I might see some improvement.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "ramon_pax" <ramon_pax@...> wrote:
>
> While the antenna isn't bad, I have not really seen any great improvement over the whip or
> a long wire. Maybe I am not using it right. I have heard that an impedance matcher can
> improve both a long wire and the KA 33 but I have yet to successfully try it. (I have been
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1292. KA-33 results/comments

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-10-31 15:04:26 UTC
From: ak7dx
Topic: 1292 Message: 1292

Yesterday afternoon after unpacking the 1103, and starting the battery charging process (have 9 hours left this am for full charge after all night) plugging in the KA-33 resulted in dramatic improved in reception so much so I had the use the local/dx switch.
Memory seems easy to use after getting used to the functions.
Not knowing the KA-31 previous performance but sounds mediocre. Degen may have done their homework and improved the antenna as the 31 is discontinued and the 33 does have a MW ferrite bar antenna that attaches to the radio via a Velcro strap. A small switch on the amp selects either SW/MW. Seems well made.

Bottom line the KA-33 may be much improved over its predecessor plus the addition of MW reception. Overall, the radio is very good as compared to a ICF-SW7600GR and YB-400, too bad no sync.

Now on the travel case....

73 and good DX'ing

John
Boise, Idaho

1293. Re: OK Now what to carry it in

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-11-02 06:53:12 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1289 Message: 1293

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "ak7dx" <bfdp1@...> wrote:
>
> Previous post my 1103 and KA-33 arrived today.
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>
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>
> Any suggestions or a protective carry case? maybe a small Pelican
> (probably more the the radio and antenna combined)
>
> Maybe a surplus store? a case that you can carry the antenna and
> little parts and the radio and some spare batteries.
> 73 and good DX'ing
>
> JM
> Boise, Idaho

I have found really good cases, packs and bags at discount sporting goods stores and military surplus places. You might want to look at some of the rubberized bags for fishing gear, or even some of the smaller ones for toting fish around in.

There's an over the shoulder satchel that I use instead of a wallet, and with some sort of waterproof cloth wrapping over the radio, that might be just the ticket for traveling. Once my radio gets here, I am betting I can fit it, extra batteries, the DE33 antenna and a notebook into my satchel without much of a problem.

Gordon Cooper
Bremerton,WA

1294. KA-33 $25

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-11-03 15:06:41 UTC
From: ak7dx
Topic: 1294 Message: 1294

$25 shipped completed in original box, works perfect.

Sorry no PP cash, check or MO

JM
Boise, Idaho

1295. Re: OK Now what to carry it in

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-11-04 17:29:34 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 1289 Message: 1295

I carry my Degen DE1107 radio (exactly the same size) inside a Pelican 1060 micro case.

http://tinyurl.com/2ww5ke

(free shipping to Canada!)

I have a small satchel of dessicant silicone and a micro fiber cloth (I found one the exact same color as the yellow rubber lining) wrapped around the radio to keep it from rattling around in the case.

It works perfectly.

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1296. Charger RF Noise

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-11-05 20:10:21 UTC
From: Nathan Karras
Topic: 1296 Message: 1296

Has anyone had experience with RF noise with the charger?

I am not exaggerating when I say that it produces more than enough noise to cut out more than half of stations, and that it's more or less through the entire SW range. I've tried connecting it to different circuits, as well as through a filtered power device that I use on
other radio equipment, to no avail. I'm about to use a ferrous torroid to try to cut this down,
and will post as to whether or not it works, and how well.

This is EXTREMELY annoying, and disappointing.

I also have similar problem when connecting the audio lineout to a computer's line in. I've tried a few computer, with varying degrees of noise. Even my PowerBook G4 (seems to be the quietest of them all) makes a LOT of HF noise, ot the point that I can't do HF FAX or monitor
RTTY or other digital communications. I know there are a couple ways I could modify my radio, but I would rather not do that. Due to the severity of this noise, I am not sure a "choke" device would work very well. The interference does not change significantly using the computer with or without its charger. Radio is without charger.

1297. Re: [de1103] Charger RF Noise

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-11-06 01:38:49 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn PB6027)
Topic: 1296 Message: 1297

Yes I have,

You must use the original transformer that came with or exact spec replacement. Apparently these other ac dc adapters are not filtered as you expect. Also the radio doe not really need to be driven with a higher amperage device. Other adpaters may have a little too much for the unit to handle and the filtering capabilities are not what you expect..personally by my knowledge it is a more of a chore to filter a stronger more higher amperage adapter.

In any case look at the adapter specifications and stick with that. Also it would not be surprising that the radio itself may dislike any more amperage fed into it even though radios take whataver they need that is not always true sometimes they take more then they can handle!

Paul
N4UUQ Ham.

On 11/5/2007 3:10:21 PM, Nathan Karras (nkarras@...) wrote:
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1298. Re: [de1103] Charger RF Noise

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-11-06 01:40:44 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn PB6027)
Topic: 1296 Message: 1298

Also to follow up..yes just for the hell of it I tried a different adapter 300ma one and I heard a small hum..back to the original and it was fine..

I would send an email to tequina the person who on ebay sold these units I had this one for over 6 months and I am very happy with it!

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: Paul (Skywarn PB6027)
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, November 05, 2007 8:38 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Charger RF Noise

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1299. Re: Charger RF Noise

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-11-06 03:30:17 UTC
From: Nathan Karras
Topic: 1296 Message: 1299

I am using the factory charger.

I am just resorting to running it off of batteries until I can get a couple of ferrite torroids
to try filtering it with.
--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul \(Skywarn PB6027\)" <wxwatch@...> wrote:
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> >
> > I am not exaggerating when I say that it produces more than enough noise
> > to cut out more
> > than half of stations, and that
> > it's more or less through the entire SW range. I've tried
> > connecting it to different circuits, as well as through a filtered power
> > device that I use on
> > other radio equipment, to no avail.
> > I'm about to use a ferrous torroid to try to cut this down,
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> > This is EXTREMELY annoying, and disappointing.
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> > I also have similar problem when connecting the audio lineout to a computer's
> > line in. I've
>

1300. Re: [de1103] Charger RF Noise

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-11-06 08:53:17 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1296 Message: 1300

----- Original Message -----
From: "Nathan Karras" <nkarras@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, November 05, 2007 8:10 PM
Subject: [de1103] Charger RF Noise

> Has anyone had experience with RF noise with the charger?
>
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> than half of stations, and that it's more or less through the entire SW
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> connecting it to different circuits, as well as through a filtered power
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> other radio equipment, to no avail. I'm about to use a ferrous torroid to
> try to cut this down,
> and will post as to whether or not it works, and how well.
>
> This is EXTREMELY annoying, and disappointing

I don't use the charger because of the noise. I always run mine off NiMH
cells, and recharge them in a charger, not in the radio.

Leon

1301. Re: [de1103] Charger RF Noise

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-11-05 23:51:45 UTC
From: John Taylor
Topic: 1296 Message: 1301

IT is the wall wart\ Charger get one from eton for the g5 73s

Nathan Karras <nkarras@...> wrote: Has anyone had experience with RF noise with the charger?

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and will post as to whether or not it works, and how well.

This is EXTREMELY annoying, and disappointing.

I also have similar problem when connecting the audio lineout to a computer's line in. I've tried a few computer, with varying degrees of noise. Even my PowerBook G4 (seems to be the quietest of them all) makes a LOT of HF noise, ot the point that I can't do HF FAX or monitor
RTTY or other digital communications. I know there are a couple ways I could modify my radio, but I would rather not do that. Due to the severity of this noise, I am not sure a "choke" device would work very well. The interference does not change significantly using the computer with or without its charger. Radio is without charger.

1302. Re: [de1103] Charger RF Noise

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-11-06 23:28:47 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn PB6027)
Topic: 1296 Message: 1302

The on that came with the degen 1103 was the Ktec Mode number KA11R080025033N OUTPUT 8 VOLTS 250 MA

On 11/5/2007 6:51:45 PM, John Taylor (john.tay@sbcglobal.net) wrote:
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1303. AC Adaptor Not Sensed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-11-10 20:33:39 UTC
From: ke8wo2001
Topic: 1303 Message: 1303

Had my DE1103 for about nine months. Have been charging the batteries in the 1103 maybe once a month. About a week ago it needed a charge so I plugged in the AC adapter that came with the radio. Nothing happened .. the normal indication of the back light coming on and the AC power adapter icon appearing in the display did not happen.

I tested the voltage coming out of the adapter and measures about 12.5 volts. Tried another AC adapter with the radio ... still nothing happens with radio. (The radio still works fine off the batteries with the adapter plugged in.)

Tried reseting the radio .. no change.

Anyone have this happen. The adapter was a little hard to plug in from day one. But just wanted ask if others have had this sort of situation show up before I tear into the radio. Perhaps the AC adapter socket has failed.

Thanks in advance.

(Hope this is not an old topic .. searched high and low and found nothing.)

1304. Re: [de1103] AC Adaptor Not Sensed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-11-11 06:41:55 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn PB6027)
Topic: 1303 Message: 1304

I use a seperate charger..I use hi capacity "energizers" nimh 2500 or 2650 ma batteries are good ones for it. I have both.

Paul

On 11/10/2007 3:33:39 PM, ke8wo2001 (garysargent@...) wrote:
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> in the 1103 maybe once a month. About a week ago it needed a charge
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> from day one. But just wanted ask if others have had this sort of
> situation show up before I tear into the radio. Perhaps the AC adapter

1305. Wall Warts

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-11-11 23:23:26 UTC
From: jackfsanders
Topic: 1305 Message: 1305

This complaint/problem/suggestion is not peculiar to the 1103, but a hunt for the right Kaito wall wart today prompts this recommendation.

I have a 1103 and a 1102. The 1102 needed charging for the first time in a long while, and I went looking for the right power supply. The problem is, I have more than a dozen of them, for all kinds of gadgets from GPS units to cameras, marine radios, scanners, ham equipment, etc.

And rare is the wall wart that has the same brand name as the unit it powers. That includes Kaito/Degen products. (Both Kaito radios, though the same size and similar operation, use different but similar shaped power supplies, one six volt and one eight volt, so finding one power supply did not help with both radios.)

While I have stuck labels on many supplies to identify what equipment they power, the label for the 1102 had popped off. So I wound up spending 20 minutes trying to figure out which was the right wall wart from two dozen in the "shack."

My suggestion (which is probably nothing new): As soon as you buy any electronic equipment that comes with a separate power supply, label that supply. And don't rely on self-stick label; their glue tends to dry up under the heat of the power supply and pop off. Affix the label with good quality transparent tape and wrap the tape all the way around the unit.

If you have an etching tool, use that! An etched label will never fall off!

73,

=jack, K1IFJ

1306. Re: Wall Warts

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-11-13 11:19:36 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 1305 Message: 1306

This is a good suggestion and one I've seldom seen mentioned. As a collector of sorts I have a storage bin full of seldomused wall warts...probably more than 50 of them. I bought some of those little price tags with the strings on them and warp that around the cord right near the wall wart itself. That system has worked and I don't have to permanently mark the wallwart in case I ever sell the radio.

You're right...none of these things ever identify the equipment they're designed for and this is becoming a larger problem. Funny too since cell phone chargers and car adapters usually carry the manufacturer's name. The OEm's ones anyway. My cell phone home charger says LG (the phone manufacturer) and teh car charger says Verizon..no mistaking those.

Jay

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jackfsanders" <jackfsanders@...> wrote:
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> around the unit.
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> off!
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> 73,
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> =jack, K1IFJ
>

1307. RE: [de1103] Re: Wall Warts

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-11-13 13:25:06 UTC
From: don sadam
Topic: 1305 Message: 1307

Speaking of Wall warts the one that came with my DE1103 distorts SSB reception. SSB reception is normal with batteries. I have tried using another brand with the same result. Can anyone recommend a power suppy with enough filtering to eliminate this problem.

To: de1103@yahoogroups.comFrom: jaypolicow@...: Tue, 13 Nov 2007 11:19:36 +0000Subject: [de1103] Re: Wall Warts

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1308. Re: Wall Warts

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-11-14 00:16:56 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1305 Message: 1308

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, don sadam <donsadam@...> wrote:
>
>
> Speaking of Wall warts the one that came with my DE1103 distorts SSB reception. SSB reception is normal with batteries. I have tried using another brand with the same result. Can
anyone recommend a power suppy with enough filtering to eliminate this problem.
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I gave up on most wall-warts some years ago when I realized how good NiMh batteries had gotten and bought my first two sets of 15 minute rechargeable batteries. You might want to write the manufacturer and complain about the unit that came with your radio-sometimes that gets results, but lots of companies like saving a few cents by not having a fully filtered
power supply.

Gordon Cooper

1309. Wall wart problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-11-14 13:58:20 UTC
From: John
Topic: 1309 Message: 1309

I received my 1103 several weeks ago so far very impressed as compared to a SONY 2010, SW-77, SW-55, SW-7600GR all I have owned at one time or another even my GRUNDIG SAT 500 and 700's.

Now keep in mind the comparison is relative to the price and features, for the $ the 1103 can't be beat.

Now to the heart of the matter:

My wall wart neither distorts SSB nor gives me any hum or issues with reception. It would seem Degen/Katio does their homework and takes into account customer comments. However, mine has had no issues as described above.

JM
Boise, Idaho

1310. Supplier for front end FET BF861

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-03 11:00:09 UTC
From: rezeiwer
Topic: 1310 Message: 1310

Hi list,
does anybody know a supplier for:
Surface-Mount-N-Channel-Junction-FET-BF861B

here in Europe?

Or equivalent component. It seems to be hard to find ...

Tnx and 73, rez

1311. Re: Supplier for front end FET BF861

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-03 20:48:49 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1310 Message: 1311

Transistor,MOSFET,N Channel,SMT,Sym,25V,15mA,2.1pF,SOT23,BF861B
BF861B N-channel junction FET
BF861B N-channel junction FET
RS stocknummer: 626-2399
Merk: Philiips Semiconductors
Fabrikantnummer: BF861B S X 10
N In voorraad
Certificaat: RoHS conform

http://www.rs-components.nl/cgi-bin/bv/rswww/home.do?
returningUser=N&cacheID=nlie

Reg.: jan

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "rezeiwer" <rezeiwer@...> wrote:
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> here in Europe?
>
> Or equivalent component. It seems to be hard to find ...
>
> Tnx and 73, rez
>

1312. Re: Wall wart problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-04 16:32:58 UTC
From: Arthur Costigan
Topic: 1309 Message: 1312

John

I have the same problem. Have you also noticed that your Ni-Cad's never seem to be fully charged???

My solution was to run the radio on batteries only AND recharge your batteries in an external charger. You get no hum and your listening time is much longer.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "John" <bfdp1@...> wrote:
>
> I received my 1103 several weeks ago so far very impressed as compared
> to a SONY 2010, SW-77, SW-55, SW-7600GR all I have owned at one time or
> another even my GRUNDIG SAT 500 and 700's.
>
> Now keep in mind the comparison is relative to the price and features,
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> account customer comments. However, mine has had no issues as
> described above.
>
> JM
> Boise, Idaho
>

1313. Re: Supplier for front end FET BF861

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-06 13:59:47 UTC
From: bobbyo2
Topic: 1310 Message: 1313

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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "rezeiwer" <rezeiwer@...> wrote:
>
> Hi list,
> does anybody know a supplier for:
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>
> here in Europe?
>
> Or equivalent component. It seems to be hard to find ...
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> Tnx and 73, rez
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Digikey in the US has them for USD .55

1314. Bouncing emails

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-08 20:09:02 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 1314 Message: 1314

The following members have bouncing emails. Any members still bouncing in 7 days will have their membership deleted.

Leon
Moderator

akasaka_satoshi@...
alongreach@...
androssov@...
antbigo@...
bclman2002@...
bestioletta@...
bigoren@...
bodonsky54@yahoo.com
bowrx93@...
cayalacerna@...
daryl@...
herranzcarlos@...
derekiszka@...
elektron1130@...
f5uab@club-internet.fr
fkar@...
gerrykav@...
gerundey@...
ivos6868@...
jim4481@...
jmarrack@...
k7noo@...
ka1csl@...
kd4das@...
kitkatjt@...
kozeluh@...
kr376@...
lboyerebay@...
mabrown1974@...
martaupin@yahoo.fr
mcdonald606a@...
mike@...
mobill7@...
ti83plus@fr.fm
pacal_ahau@...
paolonan2000@...
paulo_cabral@...
pedalst@...
bayshorejogger@...

pttarea0@...
r9a4v8e4n@yahoo.com
retro_acidcat@...
salvatorealfio.longo@...
konst+lists@senergy.ru
snake57s@...
spagnuz83@...
pef3285@...
titorussell@...
FASTARAX@...
vmgomezh@...
wamp1962@yahoo.com
yurajohn@...
zorksman@...

1315. Re: [de1103] Bouncing emails

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-09 03:28:14 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1314 Message: 1315

If they are bouncing, they won't see this message .....

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "Leon Heller" <leon355@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 09, 2007 9:09 AM
Subject: [de1103] Bouncing emails

> The following members have bouncing emails. Any members still
> bouncing in 7 days will have their membership deleted.
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> Leon
> Moderator
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> akasaka_satoshi@...
> alongreach@...
> androssov@...
> antbigo@...
> bclman2002@...
> bestioletta@...
> bigoren@...
> bodonsky54@...
> bowrx93@...
> cayalacerna@...
> daryl@...
> herranzcarlos@...
> derekiszka@...
> elektron1130@...
> f5uab@...
> fkar@...
> gerrykav@...
> gerundey@...
> ivos6868@...
> jim4481@...
> jmarrack@...
> k7noo@...
> ka1csl@...
> kd4das@...
> kitkatjt@...
> kozeluh@...
> kr376@...
> lboyerebay@...
> mabrown1974@...

> martaupin@...
> mcdonald606a@...
> mike@...
> mobill7@...
> ti83plus@...
> pacal_ahau@...
> paolonan2000@...
> paulo_cabral@...
> pedalst@...
> bayshorejogger@...
> pttarea0@...
> r9a4v8e4n@...
> retro_acidcat@...
> salvatorealfio.longo@...
> konst+lists@...
> snake57s@...
> spagnuz83@...
> pef3285@...
> titorussell@...
> FASTARAX@...
> vmgomezh@...
> wamp1962@...
> yurajohn@...
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1316. Re: [de1103] Bouncing emails

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-09 10:40:04 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1314 Message: 1316

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul" <format4nz@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 09, 2007 3:28 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Bouncing emails

> If they are bouncing, they won't see this message ......

They might have stopped bouncing some time ago. They will still be in the
list and I don't have the time to go through them all individually.

Leon
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1317. Eton E1 XM at Circuit City for $225.00 shipped

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-11 15:50:30 UTC
From: mbrenner99
Topic: 1317 Message: 1317

For anyone looking for a unit with Sync and Pass Band Tuning CC has a big sale on the Eton E1. I hear New Old Stock items but a heck of a price. I have two 1103's but have one of these on the way now to replace my 2010 as my "large" radio.

The E1 has a reputaion for good performance and some quality control issues (sound familiar). Eton will repair them if there are warrenty issues as CC is an authorized dealer.

These are much larger than the 1103 and take 4 D cells (rather than our 3 AA) and you aren't
going to easially slip on in your pack for travel like I do with my 1103 but for more advanced
listening could be a bargain.

I am not associated with CC or Eton.

1318. RE: [de1103] Eton E1 XM at Circuit City for $225.00 shipped

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-11 21:48:10 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1317 Message: 1318

It has reputation of good receiver among serious DXers (I know of it from those in NAm.)

73

Horacio

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I am not associated with CC or Eton.

Horacio Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

?Chef por primera vez? - S? un mejor Cocinillas.
Entra en Yahoo! Respuestas.

1319. Re: Eton E1 XM at Circuit City for $225.00 shipped

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-13 17:27:09 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1317 Message: 1319

Amazon asked for $499 ---more than doubled for the Circuit City $225 --- you figure !

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Horacio Nigro <hanigrodx@...> wrote:
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> Horacio
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> Horacio Nigro
> Montevideo
> Uruguay
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> Entra en Yahoo! Respuestas.
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1320. You've Got To See This Mod...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-21 11:50:03 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1320 Message: 1320

Dear fellow Degenites:

If I have it right, this guy's girlfriend was disturbed by his use of the DE1103.

So he replaced the shuttle/jog control with a mouse. Yes, a mouse.
Here's the Google translated page link:

http://72.14.203.104/translate_c?hl=en&u=http://www.dxcn.org/html/66/t-266.html&prev=/search%3Fq%3Dradio%2B%2BDE1122%26hl%3Den%26client%3Dfirefox-a%26rls%3Dorg.mozilla:en-US:official%26sa%3DG

Gordon Cooper

1321. Re: [de1103] You've Got To See This Mod...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-21 12:59:46 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1320 Message: 1321
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hi,
I have two 1103's and am not sure I would dare to
perform such a sacrilege, but it is interesting
to know that it can be made, should the encoder fail someday :-)

73,
Moises

At 09:50 21/12/2007, you wrote:

>Dear fellow Degenites:
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>
>Gordon Cooper

Moisés Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

1322. Re: You've Got To See This Mod...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-22 16:35:47 UTC
From: radiofanuy
Topic: 1320 Message: 1322

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moisés Knochen <moises.knochen@...>
wrote:
>
Well, after re-reading the post and observing carefully the pictures,
it is now clear to me that indeed he did not replace the original
encoder of the receiver by the mouse's scroll wheel, as I erroneously
assumed, but he just installed the encoder inside the mouse's case.
So this procedure will not cure the eventual failure of the encoder.

Even if this operation could be technically feasible, electro-optical
encoders such as those used in a scroll wheel may have a substantial
electrical consumption, not appropriate for a portable receiver.

BTW, is somebody aware of a source of spare encoders for the DE-1103?
I understand that the encoder sold on ebay by tquchina is not
appropriate for the newer versions of the receiver

73,

Moises

> Hi,
> I have two 1103's and am not sure I would dare to
> perform such a sacrilege, but it is interesting
> to know that it can be made, should the encoder fail someday :-)
>
> 73,
> Moises
>
> At 09:50 21/12/2007, you wrote:
>
> >Dear fellow Degenites:
> >
> >If I have it right, this guy's girlfriend was disturbed by his use
of
> >the DE1103.
> >
> >So he replaced the shuttle/jog control with a mouse. Yes, a mouse.
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> >Gordon Cooper
>
> Moisés Knochen
> Montevideo, Uruguay
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1323. Re: [de1103] Re: You've Got To See This Mod...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-22 19:16:48 UTC
From: Eric
Topic: 1320 Message: 1323

Have you emailed tquchina about this? I was going to suggest him as he was mosdt helpful with the items that I bought from him, a DE1103 & spare whip antennas. Is the encoder prone to failure?

-Eric
That Guy in South Africa...
****
Vintage Tube Hobby Group:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vintage_tube/

****

radiofanuy wrote:
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Mois?s Knochen <moises.knochen@...>
> wrote:
>
> Well, after re-reading the post and observing carefully the pictures,
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> encoders such as those used in a scroll wheel may have a substantial
> electrical consumption, not appropriate for a portable receiver.
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> BTW, is somebody aware of a source of spare encoders for the DE-1103?
> I understand that the encoder sold on ebay by tquchina is not
> appropriate for the newer versions of the receiver
>
> 73,
>
> Moises
>
>

1324. Re: [de1103] Re: You've Got To See This Mod...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-22 21:21:02 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1320 Message: 1324
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

At 17:16 22/12/2007, you wrote:

>Have you emailed tquchina about this? I was going to suggest him as he
>was mosdt helpful with the items that I bought from him, a DE1103 &
>spare whip antennas. Is the encoder prone to failure?
>
>
>-Eric
>That Guy in South Africa...
>**********
>Vintage Tube Hobby Group:
><http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vintage_tube/>http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vintage_tube/
>
>**********
No, I haven't e-mailed tquchina about this
subject, but I think he is aware of the problem,
perhaps there is not a market for spares of the newer encoder.

It has been reported by several DE-1103 users
that problems developed in the encoder after some
time using the receiver. Apparently older
versions of the receiver (those with a
metal-shaft encoder) were prone to this kind of
failure, but supposedly the manufacturer changed
to a better encoder. The latest versions of the
receiver have an encoder with a black plastic
shaft, possibly Alps brand and I have not heard
of any problems with this one. The encoder sold
on ebay should replace those older metal-shaft encoders but not the newer ones.

Both of my DE-1103 have mainboards marked as Mark
IV, both have the plastic-shaft encoder, and so far have developed no problems.

Anyhow, it seems obvious that a
electro-mechanical encoder is a weak point and if
one cares about the receiver and wants to keep it
in operating condition for a long time, would
like to have a source of spares for the weakest components.

73,

Moisés Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

1325. Re: You've Got To See This Mod...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-23 03:00:58 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1320 Message: 1325

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "radiofanuy" <moises.knochen@...> wrote:
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moisï¿½s Knochen <moises.knochen@>
> wrote:
> >
> Well, after re-reading the post and observing carefully the pictures,
> it is now clear to me that indeed he did not replace the original
> encoder of the receiver by the mouse's scroll wheel, as I erroneously
> assumed, but he just installed the encoder inside the mouse's case.
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> encoders such as those used in a scroll wheel may have a substantial
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> BTW, is somebody aware of a source of spare encoders for the DE-1103?
> I understand that the encoder sold on ebay by tquchina is not
> appropriate for the newer versions of the receiver
>
> 73,
>
> Moises
>
Mea culpa, I didnt look at the images closely enough.

Still, a mouse with its own power supply might be a useful substitute for the encoder.

Years ago Arthur C. Clarke wrote a novel where the fundamental principle behind all technology was-

"No truly advanced machine has any moving parts."

Seems like a good design criteria.

Gordon Cooper
Bremerton, WA

1326. Re: You've Got To See This Mod...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-23 03:04:13 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1320 Message: 1326

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moisï¿½s Knochen <moises.knochen@...> wrote:
>
> Both of my DE-1103 have mainboards marked as Mark
> IV, both have the plastic-shaft encoder, and so far have developed no problems.
>

Mark IV? I thought there were only three versions of the DE1103, the third being the grey plastic model sold on eBay.

It would be nice to see a list of the changes since Mark I, along with performance stats.

Gordon Cooper
Bremerton, WA
(getting a Mark IV in a week)

1327. New 1103 sound quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-24 14:06:47 UTC
From: alternative3d
Topic: 1327 Message: 1327

I bought an Kaito 1103 a few years ago and have always found the sound quality to be destorted. I understand that this was an issue on earlier models and was curious if this has been resolved on newer models.
Thaks

1328. Re: [de1103] New 1103 sound quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-24 15:32:03 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1327 Message: 1328

I have bought a Degen DE-1103 about one year ago
(from the factory) and a second one a few months later (from ebay).

Both have a good sound when listened to through
earphones or external audio system, but they
sound just adequate through the internal speaker.
I think it is just a matter of a cheap loudspeaker in a small case.

I do not mean that the sound is distorted, just
"small". By way of comparison, my old and
venerable Sony ICF-7600DS which is roughly the
same size, sounds much "bigger".

I understand that there was an issue with some
production lots of the 1103, where resistors of
erroneous values were installed in the audio
circuitry resulting in distorted sound, but to my
knowledge that has been solved long time ago.

73 + Season's Greetings

Moisés

At 12:06 24/12/2007, you wrote:

>I bought an Kaito 1103 a few years ago and have always found the sound
>quality to be destorted. I understand that this was an issue on
>earlier models and was curious if this has been resolved on newer
>models.
>Thaks

Moisés Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

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1329. Re: New 1103 sound quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-24 15:41:02 UTC
From: alternative3d
Topic: 1327 Message: 1329

Hi Moises
Thankyou for the reply. I may pick up a new 1103 in the next few days and was hopeing the destortion issue had been resolved. It sounds like it may in fact be an issue on older models so I may go ahead and purchase it. I have a G4000 and a ETON E5 and the sound is so much superior on these models that I hardly ever use the 1103. Other than the sound quality the 1103 is a great radio.

Regards

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moisés Knochen <moises.knochen@...>
wrote:
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> (from the factory) and a second one a few months later (from ebay).
>
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> earphones or external audio system, but they
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> production lots of the 1103, where resistors of
> erroneous values were installed in the audio
> circuitry resulting in distorted sound, but to my
> knowledge that has been solved long time ago.
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> 73 + Season's Greetings
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> Moisés
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>
> At 12:06 24/12/2007, you wrote:
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> >quality to be destorted. I understand that this was an issue on
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> >models.
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> Moisés Knochen
> Montevideo, Uruguay
>
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24/12/2007 11:19
>

1330. Re: New 1103 sound quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-24 16:20:22 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1327 Message: 1330

I bought a Kaito KA1103 about nine months ago and the sound quality is better than most of my other radios, most of them cost a lot more than the KA1103.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "alternative3d" <alternative3d@...> wrote:
>
> I bought an Kaito 1103 a few years ago and have always found the sound
> quality to be distorted. I understand that this was an issue on
> earlier models and was curious if this has been resolved on newer
> models.
> Thanks

1331. Re: [de1103] Re: New 1103 sound quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-24 17:01:32 UTC
From: MWBRYANT@aol.com
Topic: 1327 Message: 1331

--- In _de1103@...1_ (mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com) ,
"alternative3d" <alternative3d@alt> wrote:
>
> I bought an Kaito 1103 a few years ago and have always found the sound
> quality to be distorted. I understand that this was an issue on
> earlier models and was curious if this has been resolved on newer
> models.
> Thanks

I own both a 3 -year old DE1103 and a younger, but very similar, Eton E5.
Both have very good audio for that small a speaker.

Mike Bryant
Louisville, KY

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(http://food.aol.com/top-rated-recipes?NCID=aoltop00030000000004)

1332. RE: [de1103] Re: New 1103 sound quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-24 21:58:10 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1327 Message: 1332

Hey Mike, did you ever get an E1 to work for you? Merry Christmas to all...!

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of MWBRYANT@...
Sent: Monday, December 24, 2007 12:02 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: New 1103 sound quality

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com <mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com> , "alternative3d" <alternative3d@...> wrote:
>
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Mike Bryant

Louisville, KY

See AOL's top
<http://food.aol.com/top-rated-recipes?NCID=aoltop00030000000004> rated
recipes and easy
<http://body.aol.com/fitness/winter-exercise?NCID=aoltop00030000000003>
ways to stay in shape for winter.

1333. Re: New 1103 sound quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-24 22:18:09 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1327 Message: 1333

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moisés Knochen <moises.knochen@...> wrote:
>
> I have bought a Degen DE-1103 about one year ago
> (from the factory) and a second one a few months later (from ebay).

You bought it directly from the factory? How does that work?

Gordon Cooper
Bremerton, WA USA

1334. Re: [de1103] Re: New 1103 sound quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-24 22:32:33 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1327 Message: 1334
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

At 20:18 24/12/2007, you wrote:

>--- In
><mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com>de1103@yahoogroups.com,
>Moisés Knochen <moises.knochen@...> wrote:
> >
> > I have bought a Degen DE-1103 about one year ago
> > (from the factory) and a second one a few months later (from ebay).
>
>You bought it directly from the factory? How does that work?
>
>Gordon Cooper
>Bremerton, WA USA

Well, that was on october 2006. I contacted them
through the e-mail address appearing on their
website, i.e.
<mailto:tecsun@...>tecsun@on-nets.com
(perhaps they have a trade agreement with
Tecsun?) that is located in Hong Kong. The seller
was a lady called "Esther" who was very polite
and patient answering my questions. The total
price was a bit higher than on ebay but at that
time I preferred it that way. They shipped by
registered air mail, with a tracking number of HK Post. No problem at all.

I purchased the second one from tquchina on ebay

Merry Christmas!!

Moises

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Moisés Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

1335. Re: New 1103 sound quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-25 00:50:54 UTC
From: tantywee
Topic: 1327 Message: 1335

Mine's a Apr '04 model. IMO, it's pretty normal sounding for a radio this size. I can't say I have heard any noticeable distortion up to volume 45. Pretty much the same quality as my Sony ICF-7601.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "alternative3d" <alternative3d@...> wrote:
>
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> quality to be destorted. I understand that this was an issue on
> earlier models and was curious if this has been resolved on newer
> models.
> Thaks
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1336. Re: New 1103 sound quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-25 04:18:27 UTC
From: mbrenner99
Topic: 1327 Message: 1336

I have two Kaito 1103 radios. The audio is nice on AM (MW and SW) but the FM is distoted. Both radios have this issue, headphones and speaker. You can really hear issues with headphones, even at low volumes. I sent my first one back to Kaito and they sent a replacement but it was identical. I purchased one a few months later and it was exactly the same. You can really hear this with highly modulated stations. So a classical station or a staion like NPR that is not hightly compressed and therefore modulated near the limits of allowable deviation will sound okay but highly multiband compressed music stations will be not sound very good. In Los Angeles 93.1 FM is an example if a highly modulated station. It sounds quite poor on the 1103 (I have tested three of them). It is not an MPX demod issue because switching the radio to mono does not clear it up.

I have tested this against similar Sangean radios and also my Etons and they operate as expected.

I don't know if the current 1103 production is better I hope to get hold of one some day and see. Other than the FM issues this is a nice radio.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "alternative3d" <alternative3d@...> wrote:
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>

1337. Re: [de1103] Re: New 1103 sound quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-25 11:53:09 UTC
From: Ok Ok
Topic: 1327 Message: 1337

Hi,
the new 3-rd version of DE1103 has the same sound quality on FM as the older versions. Better sound quality on FM has the receiver with mp3 from Degen production DE1121 (good stereo, clear, bass) . DE1103 is meant for very sensitive AM reception primarily.

mbrenner99 <mbrenner99@...> wrote: I have two Kaito 1103 radios. The audio is nice on AM (MW and SW) but the FM is
distoted. Both radios have this issue, headphones and speaker. You can really hear issues with headphones, even at low volumes. I sent my first one back to Kaito and they sent a replacement but it was identical. I purchased one a few months later and it was exactly the same. You can really hear this with highly modulated stations. So a classical station or a staion like NPR that is not hightly compressed and therefore modulated near the limits of allowable deviation will sound okay but highly multiband compressed music stations will be not sound very good. In Los Angeles 93.1 FM is an example if a highly modulated station. It sounds quite poor on the 1103 (I have tested three of them). It is not an MPX demod issue because switching the radio to mono does not clear it up.

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> models.
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1338. Re: New 1103 sound quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-25 14:39:31 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1327 Message: 1338

Highly suspect it is not the DE1103's faults but a FM propagation problem. (Interference for Long-Delay Multipaths in Digital Terrestrial Broadcasting Reception)
The symptom usually shown as double immages(ghosts) in TV pictures and distorted sounds.
If this is the case. Try to move the DE1103 to different locations. (preferably far from your present reception locations --- try pickup the questionable stations out of town.) and compare the outcomes.
Hope it helps.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "mbrenner99" <mbrenner99@...> wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "alternative3d" <alternative3d@> wrote:

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1339. Re: New 1103 sound quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-25 15:58:27 UTC
From: mbrenner99
Topic: 1327 Message: 1339

The issue with my 1103s are not due to multipath. I have tried it in a number of locations and have used it next to other radios. I suspect that the FM section on the 1103 is set for a narrower deviation than peak deviations that are broadcasted .

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
>
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> problem. (Interference for Long-Delay Multipaths in Digital
> Terrestrial Broadcasting Reception)
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> (preferably far from your present reception locations --- try pickup
> the questionable stations out of town.) and compare the outcomes.
> Hope it helps.
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "mbrenner99" <mbrenner99@> wrote:
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> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "alternative3d" <alternative3d@>
> wrote:
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> > > Thaks
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> >
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1340. Re: New 1103 sound quality

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-25 16:20:09 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1327 Message: 1340

Is it mean sorts of production alignment problems? (only came up to
certain units during a production run)

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "mbrenner99" <mbrenner99@...> wrote:
>
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> a narrower deviation than peak deviations that are broadcasted .
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> > but the FM is
> > > distoted. Both radios have this issue, headphones and
speaker.
> > You can really hear
> > > issues with headphones, even at low volumes. I sent my first
one
> > back to Kaito and they
> > > sent a replacement but it was identical. I purchased one a
few
> > months later and it was
> > > exactly the same. You can really hear this with highly
modulated
> > stations. So a classical

> > > station or a staion like NPR that is not hightly compressed and
> > therefore modulated near
> > > the limits of allowable deviation will sound okay but highly
> > multiband compressed music
> > > stations will be not sound very good. In Los Angeles 93.1 FM
is
> > an example if a highly
> > > modulated station. It sounds quite poor on the 1103 (I have
> > tested three of them). It is
> > > not an MPX demod issue because switching the radio to mono
does
> > not clear it up.
> > >
> > > I have tested this against similar Sangean radios and also my
Etons
> > and they operate as
> > > expected.
> > >
> > > I don't know if the current 1103 production is better I hope to
get
> > hold of one some day
> > > and see. Other than the FM issues this is a nice radio.
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> > > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "alternative3d" <alternative3d@>
> > wrote:
> > > >
> > > > I bought an Kaito 1103 a few years ago and have always found
the
> > sound
> > > > quality to be destorted. I understand that this was an issue
on
> > > > earlier models and was curious if this has been resolved on
newer
> > > > models.
> > > > Thaks
> > > >
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1341. AC Supply noises

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-22 20:35:29 UTC
From: enriqueeeeee2001
Topic: 1341 Message: 1341

It is a week ago since I purchased the Degen. I cracked it open and had a look. The electronic board was stamped M03 MKIV.
The seller claims that the receiver is the 3th generation and sound, sensitivity have been improved.

I have noticed that resistors 223, 224 have the marking 222 so I am going to do the Kiwa mods.

By the way, ac adapter add considerable noise. I have tried plugging the adapter in other AC outlets as well but results are the same.
Anyone else having this problem?

I have even used my sony icf sw7600 adapter and result is equal, noises.

Even unplugged dc cable act as antenna!!

I am going to shorten the cable to see if it works.
Next week I will buy some ferrite toroids. Next step will be extra shielding.

With batteries works quite good, it runs almost neck by neck with my Drake R8b.

The model of the charger is SY-EI35-06300

Comments are very wellcomed !!!

1342. Are the electronics in the G5 same as in Kaito/Degen 1103????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-23 14:22:52 UTC
From: mjavid2002
Topic: 1342 Message: 1342

Can someone tell me how far this is correct???

1343. Re: AC Adaptor Not Sensed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-23 15:00:22 UTC
From: mjavid2002
Topic: 1303 Message: 1343

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "ke8wo2001" <GarySargent@...> wrote:
>
> Had my DE1103 for about nine months. Have been charging the batteries
> in the 1103 maybe once a month. About a week ago it needed a charge
> so I plugged in the AC adapter that came with the radio. Nothing
> happened .. the normal indication of the back light coming on and the
> AC power adapter icon appearing in the display did not happen.
>
> I tested the voltage coming out of the adapter and measures about 12.5
> volts. Tried another AC adapter with the radio ... still nothing
> happens with radio. (The radio still works fine off the batteries
> with the adapter plugged in.)
>
> Tried reseting the radio .. no change.
>
> Anyone have this happen. The adapter was a little hard to plug in
> from day one. But just wanted ask if others have had this sort of
> situation show up before I tear into the radio. Perhaps the AC adapter
> socket has failed.
>
> Thanks in advance.
>
>
> (Hope this is not an old topic .. searched high and low and found
> nothing.)
>

I think the cutout which disconnects the batteries when you plug in
the AC adapter has gone bad.

1344. Re: [de1103] Are the electronics in the G5 same as in Kaito/Degen 1103????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-25 17:53:12 UTC
From: MWBRYANT@aol.com
Topic: 1342 Message: 1344

In a message dated 12/25/2007 12:13:36 P.M. Eastern Standard Time, mjavid2002@... writes:

Can someone tell me how far this is correct???

I believe the radio circuitry is essentially the same. The G5/E5 has several ergonomic improvements, such as dedicated volume controls, better memory access and more useful display screen. I own both a DE1103 and an Eton E5, and can report that their sensitivity, selectivity and audio sound almost exactly like each other. It may just be my imagination, but the BFO flywheel may work slightly better on the E5.

With the bargain prices on E5s and G5s on eBay, it's probably a worthwhile investment.

Mike Bryant
Louisville, KY

**********See AOL's top rated recipes (http://food.aol.com/top-rated-recipes?NCID=aoltop00030000000004)

1345. Re: Are the electronics in the G5 same as in Kaito/Degen 1103????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-25 18:36:27 UTC
From: mjavid2002
Topic: 1342 Message: 1345

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, MWBRYANT@... wrote:
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> Mike Bryant

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M Javid

1346. Re: [de1103] Re: Are the electronics in the G5 same as in Kaito/Degen 1103????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-25 19:15:25 UTC
From: MWBRYANT@aol.com
Topic: 1342 Message: 1346

In a message dated 12/25/2007 1:36:50 P.M. Eastern Standard Time, mjavid2002@... writes:

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Yeah, I kind of liked the retro look of the simulated analog dial on the 1103, but the more standardized keypad made possible by it's removal was a real plus for getting the E5.

Mike

**********See AOL's top rated recipes (http://food.aol.com/top-rated-recipes?NCID=aoltop00030000000004)

1347. Cleaning encoder

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-26 04:23:55 UTC
From: tantywee
Topic: 1347 Message: 1347

Thought I'd just mention my very lazy but reasonably effective way of keeping the original "skippy" encoder problem at bay. I do this every few months whenever it starts skipping again.

Use a quick evaporating contact cleaning spray, NOT WD40-type general lubricant spray as they will leave some residue.

1) Remove the tuning/encoder plastic knob.
2) Hold the encoder stem facing upwards.
3) Spray downwards onto the threaded side of the stem. Give it a good blast and let the fluid drip in.
4) Put the knob back on and give it several good spin in both direction and you are done.

1348. Re: Are the electronics in the G5 same as in Kaito/Degen 1103????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-26 20:17:39 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1342 Message: 1348

I think the phony analog is fun.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "mjavid2002" <mjavid2002@...> wrote:

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> M Javid

1349. Re: [de1103] Re: Are the electronics in the G5 same as in Kaito/Degen 1103????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-26 22:13:24 UTC
From: Mike McManus
Topic: 1342 Message: 1349

Hi,
I have a Kaito 1103 right by the bedside connected to a wire near the window. It works as well as the Grundig YB-400 and the Sony 7600 GRS. A good radio for the money and the ergonomics are no problem at all.
Mike
----- Original Message -----
From: Dennis Gibson
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, December 26, 2007 3:17 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Are the electronics in the G5 same as in Kaito/Degen 1103????

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> would have liked the 'analog' display of the DE1103 better!
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> M Javid

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I am using the free version of SPAMfighter for private users.
It has removed 4246 spam emails to date.
Paying users do not have this message in their emails.
Get the free SPAMfighter here: http://www.spamfighter.com/len

1350. Re: Are the electronics in the G5 same as in Kaito/Degen 1103????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-26 22:26:00 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1342 Message: 1350

I have never understood why Passport to World Band Radio makes a huge deal about the ergonomics. They are easily worked around.

If anyone wants to have some cheap fun (not that kind) buy yourself (Santa brought me mine) a Sony SRF-59 Walkman for less than $20.00. It is extremely impressive on MW and there is no FM intermod in Los Angeles despite being extremely sensitive. It is analog, has no speaker, the headphones are quite decent and it uses only one AA battery. 99% of the time it keeps up with 1103. I have not compared it to anything on FM.

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> Mike

1351. Re: Are the electronics in the G5 same as in Kaito/Degen 1103????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-27 02:40:55 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1342 Message: 1351

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Dennis Gibson" <wb6tnb@...> wrote:
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> deal about the ergonomics. They are easily worked around.
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> (Santa brought me mine) a Sony SRF-59 Walkman for less than $20.00. It
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> Angeles despite being extremely sensitive. It is analog, has no
> speaker, the headphones are quite decent and it uses only one AA
> battery. 99% of the time it keeps up with 1103. I have not compared it
> to anything on FM.
>
> 73

Some people simply do not like any deviation from the way their preferred radio is operated. It is a bit of a change to go from, say, an R390 to a fully digital radio, and some
people choose to not make such a drastic change in the way they tune stations and adjust the set, and will form their entire opinion of the radio based on how closely it resembles the radios they are most comfortable with.

Gordon Cooper
Bremerton, WA

1352. Leaving the batteries in the radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-26 16:43:27 UTC
From: kshepher413
Topic: 1352 Message: 1352

Has anybody suffered any negative results from running on the AC adapter while the rechargeable batteries are left in the radio. I know it's not a problem with the YB-400, but the manual for 1103 advises against it in the regular battery section. The don't have a specific warning concerning the rechargeable batteries.

Thx,

Kevin

1353. Re:Leaving the batteries in the radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-28 16:41:08 UTC
From: Gary Sargent
Topic: 1352 Message: 1353

No problem with doing that with my 1103.

1354. blown fet diode

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-29 04:19:09 UTC
From: profilenameistaken30
Topic: 1354 Message: 1354

FEt diode is shot . No mw or sw . Im not savvy enough to fix it myself. Any recommendations as to where I can send it to have it fixed?

1355. Re: blown fet diode

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2007-12-31 07:05:35 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1354 Message: 1355

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "profilenameistaken30"
<chezwannabe@...> wrote:
>
> FEt diode is shot . No mw or sw . Im not savvy enough to fix it
> myself. Any recommendations as to where I can send it to have it fixed?
>

There are a few folks on the amateur radio help group on Yahoo that
might be able to do this. Possibly, maybe, Kiwa, the company that
modifies the audio in the 1103 might be able to do so, though I
haven't seen this service listed.

How old is your radio? Have you contacted the vendor?

Gordon Cooper
Bremerton, WA

1356. KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-01 21:00:16 UTC
From: jtricer1973
Topic: 1356 Message: 1356

Hey guys, just got my KA1103. I also have a KA 1102. On shortwave and AM the 1103 seems to have trouble "locking in" on the signal. It tends to fade in and out. Not all the way out but out some which makes it hard to listen to. When ever I run in to this I have pulled out my 1102 and did not have this problem. It seems to lock in better with less of the fading in and out.
Couple this with the fact that I think the 1102 has better sound and it seems the 1102 is a better radio for shortwave and AM. Any comments. From what I had read about the 1103 I expected it to be quite a bit better than my 1102 but so far this has not been the case and I end up listening to the 1102 while the 1103 collects dust. Something wrong with the 1103? Maybe a bad batch? Any ideas would be appreciated.

Thanks guys

1357. Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-01 23:53:24 UTC
From: jtricer1973
Topic: 1356 Message: 1357

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jtricer1973" <jtricer1973@...> wrote:
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> AM the 1103 seems to have trouble "locking in" on the signal. It tends
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> quite a bit better than my 1102 but so far this has not been the case
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> Something wrong with the 1103? Maybe a bad batch? Any ideas would be
> appreciated.
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> Thanks guys
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Hey guys, I am still doing alot of shortwave listening and comparing my 1103 against my 1102 and have come to a new conclusion. I don't think it is so much as the signal fading in and out on the 1103 as the fact that there is an awful lot of background noise that is usually not as bad on the 1102. I have also noticed if I take my index finger and rest it on the base of the antenna it cuts out tons of this noise.

I know there are some mods being done to cut down on noise so maybe this is what I need to do. Any comments welcome.

Thanks guys

1358. RE: [de1103] KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-02 00:11:13 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1356 Message: 1358

Sounds like you got a lemon.

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of jtricer1973
Sent: Tuesday, January 01, 2008 4:00 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] KA 1103 fading in and out??

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Thanks guys

1359. Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-02 00:38:30 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1356 Message: 1359

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1360. Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-02 01:14:50 UTC
From: jtricer1973
Topic: 1356 Message: 1360

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Dennis Gibson" <wb6tnb@...> wrote:
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the conclusion that it is a noise problem on my 1103. I mean I can
hardly stand to listen to it. Bear in mind that with stronger stations
it is not really a problem though it is still noisier than the 1102.

1361. Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-02 01:23:18 UTC
From: jtricer1973
Topic: 1356 Message: 1361

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jtricer1973" <jtricer1973@...> wrote:
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I got it from radios 4you, wonder if I can swap it or send it to Kaito
USA for replacement?

1362. RE: [de1103] Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-02 01:55:36 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1356 Message: 1362

Yes!

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
jtricer1973
Sent: Tuesday, January 01, 2008 8:23 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com <mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com> ,
"jtricer1973" <jtricer1973@...> wrote:
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1363. Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-02 03:32:31 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1356 Message: 1363

That's where I got mine (via eBay). Your 1102 should not outperform your 1103.

Joshua - where have you been hiding?

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1364. RE: [de1103] Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-02 05:15:51 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1356 Message: 1364

I have been working my tail off! Glad to get a break...LOL

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Dennis Gibson
Sent: Tuesday, January 01, 2008 10:33 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

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1365. Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-02 23:31:51 UTC
From: jackfsanders
Topic: 1356 Message: 1365

Could this be the "famous" noise problem from the AC adapter?
Does the noise occur when the radio is operated on battery power only?
Also, do you have it near any computer equipment?
=jack, K1IFJ
www.sandersbooks.com

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> > hard to listen to. When ever I run in to this I have pulled out my
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> > comments. From what I had read about the 1103 I expected it to be
> > quite a bit better than my 1102 but so far this has not been the case
> > and I end up listening to the 1102 while the 1103 collects dust.
> > Something wrong with the 1103? Maybe a bad batch? Any ideas would be
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> think it is so much as the signal fading in and out on the 1103 as the
> fact that there is an awful lot of background noise that is usually
> not as bad on the 1102. I have also noticed if I take my index finger
> and rest it on the base of the antenna it cuts out tons of this noise.
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> I know there are some mods being done to cut down on noise so maybe
> this is what I need to do. Any comments welcome.
>
> Thanks guys
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1366. Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-02 23:50:33 UTC
From: jtricer1973
Topic: 1356 Message: 1366

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jackfsanders" <jackfsanders@...> wrote:
>
> Could this be the "famous" noise problem from the AC adapter?
> Does the noise occur when the radio is operated on battery power only?
> Also, do you have it near any computer equipment?
> =jack, K1IFJ
> www.sandersbooks.com
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jtricer1973" <jtricer1973@> wrote:
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> > this is what I need to do. Any comments welcome.
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Hey guys, this is using batteries. It is kind of close to my PC but still, if it is electrical noise it doesn't seem to bother the 1102 nearly as bad. Maybe since the 1103 is a more sensitive radio it is more sensitive to noise as well. It does seem better outside. I am just going by my comparisons in my house. Also I would like to say that I find all the ergonomic complaints about the 1103 to be exagerated. I find it easier to use than my 1102 and the volume control doesn't bother me at all.

1367. PLL LC72137 smd

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-02 16:38:28 UTC
From: Paulinho Rebouças - Gmail
Topic: 1367 Message: 1367
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Dear friends:
Sorry my english!!!! hihihih
Solicituos please for recuperation my DEGEN DE-1103, PLL LC72137 smd.
Not PLL BRASIL smd.
thanks!!!!!

Paulo
Votuporanga-São Paulo-BRASIL

1368. Re: [de1103] Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-03 00:42:40 UTC
From: Dave Spicer
Topic: 1356 Message: 1368

> Maybe since the 1103 is a more sensitive radio it is
> more sensitive to noise as well. It does seem better outside.

My 1103 picked up huge amounts of noise in my inlaws' house - turned out to be those touch-sensitive lamps that use body capacitance to control. Found this out by the time-honored "start unplugging stuff and see what happens" protocol :-)

- Dave

1369. Re: [de1103] Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-03 02:46:11 UTC
From: Jeremy Trice
Topic: 1356 Message: 1369

We recently changed every light bulb in the house to the power compacts. This could be a lot of the noise.

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1370. Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-03 06:53:08 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1356 Message: 1370

If you're referring to the lower wattage fluorescent bulbs I have them all over the house and I don't have any noise problems.

Try turning off one circuit breaker at a time and see if the noise gets weaker or maybe even goes away. If that happens your search for the source of the noise will be a lot easier. As mentioned earlier those touch-on lamps put out plenty of garbage; so do light dimmers.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Jeremy Trice <jtricer1973@...> wrote:
>
> We recently changed every light bulb in the house to the power compacts. This could be a lot of the noise.

1371. Re: [de1103] Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-03 09:47:35 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1356 Message: 1371

Some Video recorders, I had a Philips which was a huge noise generator.
Computers are a killer too, I can hear mine out in the street.

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: "Dennis Gibson" <wb6tnb@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 03, 2008 7:53 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

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1372. Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-03 14:31:41 UTC
From: Phil Pasteur
Topic: 1356 Message: 1372

I put in a bunch of the compact fluorescent lamps (CFL) awhile back. They make all kinds of noise. I put four of them (35 watt) in my overhead fixture in my kitchen. I used to listen to my portables at the kitchen table with fairly low noise levels. Now, if that fixture is turned on it gives me S9 noise levels on some frequencies. Turn it off and noise levels drop typically to below S1 to S2. Even in my shack some 60 feet away, I know when someone turns that fixture on. I had an old model 15 watt CFL in a lamp on my night table. It made the radio next to it (CC+) almost unusable for anything except local stations. I replaced it with a new 35 watt CFL and 90% of the problem went away (I still know easily without even looking whether that lamp is on though). It seems that it varies from one manufacturer to another, and even from one lamp to another when they are built by the same manufacturer. Bottom line is, you can't just ignore those damn things as a potential noise source.

Phil

Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??
Posted by: "Jeremy Trice" jtricer1973@... jtricer1973
Date: Wed Jan 2, 2008 6:46 pm ((PST))

We recently changed every light bulb in the house to the power compacts. This could be a lot of the noise.

Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??
Posted by: "Dennis Gibson" wb6tnb@... dcgibson55
Date: Wed Jan 2, 2008 10:53 pm ((PST))

If you're referring to the lower wattage fluorescent bulbs I have them all over the house and I don't have any noise problems.

1373. Antenna fell out!!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-04 23:52:32 UTC
From: jtricer1973
Topic: 1373 Message: 1373

Ok, so I pick up my 1103 to walk back to my bedroom and as I am walking down the hall the antenna falls out and lands at my feet!! It apears to just push in and be held by friction but now it keeps working itself loose. Any ideas or comments? I am very disapointed about this. Maybe I should send it back for replacement.

1374. Re: [de1103] Antenna fell out!!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-05 02:19:33 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1373 Message: 1374

Have just had a look at mine, send it back for a replacement, the antenna should be crimped in at the base.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "jtricer1973" <jtricer1973@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 05, 2008 12:52 PM
Subject: [de1103] Antenna fell out!!!!

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> walking down the hall the antenna falls out and lands at my feet!! It
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1375. Re: [de1103] Antenna fell out!!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-05 13:42:18 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1373 Message: 1375

At 21:52 04/01/2008, you wrote:

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>walking down the hall the antenna falls out and lands at my feet!! It
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>working itself loose. Any ideas or comments? I am very disapointed
>about this. Maybe I should send it back for replacement.

Replacement antennas as well as back stands (a
part also prone to break) can be purchased on
e-bay, tquchina and liypn sell them.

73,

Moisés Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

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1376. Re: Antenna fell out!!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-05 19:17:09 UTC
From: enriqueeeeee2001
Topic: 1373 Message: 1376

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jtricer1973" <jtricer1973@...> wrote:
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> working itself loose. Any ideas or comments? I am very disapointed
> about this. Maybe I should send it back for repair

Antenna is attached with a small screw. Have a look whether you have
it. Maybe it has been forgotten to be assembled.

What about the audio on shortwave? Is it a little bit distorted?

1377. Re: Antenna fell out!!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-06 01:44:08 UTC
From: jtricer1973
Topic: 1373 Message: 1377

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "enriqueeeeee2001"
<enriqueeeeee2001@...> wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jtricer1973" <jtricer1973@> wrote:
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> it. Maybe it has been forgotten to be assembled.
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>
Yes, I have felt the audio was distorted.

1378. Re: Antenna fell out!!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-06 01:55:58 UTC
From: jtricer1973
Topic: 1373 Message: 1378

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "enriqueeeeee2001"
<enriqueeeeee2001@...> wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jtricer1973" <jtricer1973@> wrote:
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OK, I checked the screw and it is there and tight. The antenna
actually came apart from that piece which is held in place by the
screw, if that makes any sense.

1379. Re: [de1103] Re: Antenna fell out!!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-06 14:07:12 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1373 Message: 1379

At 23:55 05/01/2008, you wrote:
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>OK, I checked the screw and it is there and tight. The antenna
>actually came apart from that piece which is held in place by the
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So, unless your radio is covered by a warranty, you will need to buy
a replacement. I doubt it can be repaired, however you may try to fix
it by pressing on the "grooves" in the base with some kind of pliers
or by gluing it but I doubt it will last for a long time. Drilling a
hole and passing a screw could help, but would not be nice to see.

I have heard that these antennas are weak and that explains that
there is a market for spares.

Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

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1380. Re: Antenna fell out!!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-06 17:57:32 UTC
From: enriqueeeeee2001
Topic: 1373 Message: 1380

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moisés Knochen <moises.knochen@...>
wrote:
>
> At 23:55 05/01/2008, you wrote:
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> Moises Knochen
> Montevideo, Uruguay
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From my point of view, I think that Degen workers did not realize in
putting the screw in the antenna.
It is very easy to check it, remove back part of the main body. You
will need a thin screwdriver. I think that there are 8 screws, do not
forget one inside the batteries' box.

1381. Re: [de1103] Re: Antenna fell out!!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-06 18:12:55 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1373 Message: 1381

As I was warned by a radio friend who also owns the Degen, "don't play with the telescopic antenna". I've expanded it only in few occasions, since I noted that in my case FM signal -also when is from DX -is enough. There are or were until recently when I searched, replacements in eBay.

Horacio

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1382. Re: [de1103] Re: Antenna fell out!!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-06 18:32:14 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1373 Message: 1382

I think one thing to remember is that these radios are built to a price and judging by the price of these sets, the quality of the antenna would be mediocre at best. Best idea would be to try and find one that will fit from a different source.

My experience with the KA - 1103 while using the telescopic antenna on shortwave has been less than impressive.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "enriqueeeeee2001" <enriqueeeeee2001@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, January 07, 2008 6:57 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Antenna fell out!!!!

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Mois?s Knochen <moises.knochen@...>
wrote:
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> At 23:55 05/01/2008, you wrote:
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> Moises Knochen
> Montevideo, Uruguay
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1383. Re: [de1103] Re: Antenna fell out!!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-07 00:57:28 UTC
From: Jeremy Trice
Topic: 1373 Message: 1383

Hey guys, are you saying there is another screw inside the radio holding the antenna together that I can't see from the outside of the radio?

Horacio Nigro <hanigrodx@...> wrote:
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1384. Re: Antenna fell out!!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-07 03:32:46 UTC
From: jtricer1973
Topic: 1373 Message: 1384

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Jeremy Trice <jtricer1973@...> wrote:
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1385. RE: [de1103] Re: Antenna fell out!!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-07 03:42:35 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1373 Message: 1385

http://cgi.ebay.com/WHIP-ANTENNA-FOR-DE1102-DE1103-1104-1107-DE1121-RADIOS_W0QQitemZ260108153671QQihZ016QQcategoryZ15051QQssPageNameZWDVWQQrdZ1QQcmdZViewItem

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going to by a replacement on ebay.Thanks for all the replies.

Horacio Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

Web Revelaci?n Yahoo! 2007:
Premio Favorita del P?blico - ?Vota tu preferida!

1386. RE: [de1103] Re: Antenna fell out!!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-07 03:44:25 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1373 Message: 1386

http://cgi.ebay.com/WHIP-ANTENNA-FOR-DE1103-DE1104-DE1107-DE1121-E5-RADIO_W0QQitemZ140138645768QQihZ004QQcategoryZ15051QQssPageNameZWDVWQQrdZ1QQcmdZViewItem

jtricer1973 <jtricer1973@...> escribi?:
--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Jeremy Trice <jtricer1973@...> wrote:
>
> Hey guys, are you saying there is another screw inside the radio holding the antenna together that I can't see from the outside of the radio?
>
> Horacio Nigro <hanigrodx@...> wrote:
> As I was warned by a radio friend who also owns the Degen, "don't play with the telescopic antenna". I've expanded it only in few occasions, since I noted that in my case FM signal -also when is from DX -is enough. There are or were until recently when I searched, replacements in eBay.
>
> Horacio
>
>
> Mois?s Knochen <moises.knochen@...> escribi?:
> At 23:55 05/01/2008, you wrote:
> > >
> >OK, I checked the screw and it is there and tight. The antenna
> >actually came apart from that piece which is held in place by the
> >screw, if that makes any sense.
>
> So, unless your radio is covered by a warranty, you will need to buy
> a replacement. I doubt it can be repaired, however you may try to fix
> it by pressing on the "grooves" in the base with some kind of pliers
> or by gluing it but I doubt it will last for a long time. Drilling a
> hole and passing a screw could help, but would not be nice to see.
>
> I have heard that these antennas are weak and that explains that
> there is a market for spares.
>
> Moises Knochen
> Montevideo, Uruguay
>
> --
> No virus found in this outgoing message.
> Checked by AVG Free Edition.
> Version: 7.5.516 / Virus Database: 269.17.13/1211 - Release Date: 06/01/2008 11:57
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> Horacio Nigro
> Montevideo
> Uruguay
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> ---
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> ---
> Never miss a thing. Make Yahoo your homepage.
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1387. Included Wire Antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-08 04:01:02 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1373 Message: 1387

For those of you who have bought the DE1103 through Radio And Component on eBay, does the included wire antenna clip directly to the collapsible antenna or to the external antenna
jack?

Gordon Cooper

1388. Re: [de1103] Included Wire Antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-08 04:14:30 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1373 Message: 1388

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Gordon Cooper" <kitsaplorax@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2008 4:01 AM
Subject: [de1103] Included Wire Antenna?

> For those of you who have bought the DE1103 through Radio And Component on
> eBay, does
> the included wire antenna clip directly to the collapsible antenna or to
> the external antenna
> jack?

I didn't buy mine from them, but it plugged into the antenna jack socket. I
used the past tense, because my cat ate it. 8-(

Leon
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1389. Re: [de1103] Included Wire Antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-08 04:02:54 UTC
From: Sid
Topic: 1373 Message: 1389

Wire antenna clips to the telescopic antenna.

From: Gordon Cooper
Sent: Monday, January 07, 2008 8:01 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Included Wire Antenna?

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jack?

Gordon Cooper

1390. Battery drain: DE1103 v G5

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-08 05:35:24 UTC
From: mjavid2002
Topic: 1390 Message: 1390

Has anyone measured this and compared to the G5 which is supposed to be the same electronics packaged different? As per a post on battery life in the archives, drain was 265 mA, which really seems crazy high as I have measured 200 mA (without light) on my E1XM.
Thanks,

M Javid

1391. changing display color led

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-09 05:19:49 UTC
From: obx2001
Topic: 1391 Message: 1391

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has anyone modded the led/light
to a different color?

anyone modded led/light to gain
brighter display?
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1392. Re: [de1103] Included Wire Antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-08 17:21:51 UTC
From: Bill Bradford
Topic: 1373 Message: 1392

On Jan 7, 2008 10:01 PM, Gordon Cooper <kitsaplorax@...> wrote:
> For those of you who have bought the DE1103 through Radio And Component on eBay, does
> the included wire antenna clip directly to the collapsible antenna or to the external antenna
> jack?

I bought mine directly from Kaito on Amazon, and it came with a "bundled" longwire antenna and the "free T1 reel antenna". Both of them have 1/8" plugs on the ends for the external antenna jack.

Speaking of, is the only way to get better FM reception to use a clip-to-antenna extension? Neither of the longwires seem to help reception when plugged into the external jack.

Bill

1393. Re: [de1103] Included Wire Antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-08 21:20:07 UTC
From: jean-christophe boisserie
Topic: 1373 Message: 1393

Hello,

I've bought from him 4 of them 2 two years ago and 2 one year ago for me
and 3 friends, and the 4 ones were antennas pluggable int the jack socket.

See you later

Jean-Chris
----- Original Message -----
From: "Leon" <leon355@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2008 5:14 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Included Wire Antenna?

> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Gordon Cooper" <kitsaplorax@...>
> To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2008 4:01 AM
> Subject: [de1103] Included Wire Antenna?
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> Leon
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1394. Re: Included Wire Antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-14 09:12:52 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1373 Message: 1394

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jean-christophe boisserie" <jcboisserie@...> wrote:
>
> Hello,
>
>
> I've bought from him 4 of them 2 two years ago and 2 one year ago for me
> and 3 friends, and the 4 ones were antennas pluggable int the jack socket.
>
>
> See you later

Thanks much for the information, folks. I ordered my 1103 today. This is the first shortwave/longwave radio I've ever purchased, and am looking forward to listening to radio outside of the States.

How long is shipping from Taiwan to the West Coast?

Gordon Cooper

1395. Antenna / Shipping Speed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-20 09:00:27 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 1373 Message: 1395

Hi Guys

First off...

Extend the telescopic & put a squirt of WD40 onto a rag or kitchen roll, wiping the lubricant over the joints and gently open / close the antenna a couple of times - might save you bending / breaking it.

The wire antenna is.. just that ... so if you break or lose it, you can make one from speaker wire with a mono jack or try a spare junk cable from a junked pc speakers (cut junk speaker off & away)

You could put an inline jack on far end and plug in a longer home antenna when you return home or go camping etc as well.

I've found Chinese post to be super efficient - ie 2 days and item is in your country. Unfortunately here in the UK it takes an amazing extra 8 days to be processed.

1396. Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-20 09:07:06 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 1356 Message: 1396

Look out for decent rechargeables..

The supplied batts were cheapo and , so I bought eight Profitexx
3200mAh batts - that way you can 'rota' from an external charger.

The 1103 is more sensitive, so noise would be more noticeable
(att on?)

noise near pc?
Try turning on/off your TFT monitor whilst listening...
ahaaaaa culprit???

cheers n beers

Mike

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jtricer1973" <jtricer1973@...> wrote:
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jackfsanders" <jackfsanders@> wrote:
> >
> > Could this be the "famous" noise problem from the AC adapter?
> > Does the noise occur when the radio is operated on battery power only?
> > Also, do you have it near any computer equipment?
> > =jack, K1IFJ
> > www.sandersbooks.com
> >
> >
> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jtricer1973" <jtricer1973@> wrote:
> > >
> > > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jtricer1973" <jtricer1973@> wrote:
> > > >
> > > > Hey guys, just got my KA1103. I also have a KA 1102. On
> shortwave and
> > > > AM the 1103 seems to have trouble "locking in" on the signal. It
> tends
> > > > to fade in and out. Not all the way out but out some which
makes it
> > > > hard to listen to. When ever I run in to this I have pulled out my
> > > > 1102 and did not have this problem. It seems to lock in better
with
> > > > less of the fading in and out.
> > > > Couple this with the fact that I think the 1102 has better
sound and
> > > > it seems the 1102 is a better radio for shortwave and AM. Any
> > > > comments. From what I had read about the 1103 I expected it to be
> > > > quite a bit better than my 1102 but so far this has not been the

> case
> > > > and I end up listening to the 1102 while the 1103 collects dust.
> > > > Something wrong with the 1103? Maybe a bad batch? Any ideas
would be
> > > > appreciated.
> > > >
> > > > Thanks guys
> > > >
> > >
> > > Hey guys, I am still doing alot of shortwave listening and comparing
> > > my 1103 against my 1102 and have come to a new conclusion. I don't
> > > think it is so much as the signal fading in and out on the 1103
as the
> > > fact that there is an awful lot of background noise that is usually
> > > not as bad on the 1102. I have also noticed if I take my index
finger
> > > and rest it on the base of the antenna it cuts out tons of this
noise.
> > >
> > > I know there are some mods being done to cut down on noise so maybe
> > > this is what I need to do. Any comments welcome.
> > >
> > > Thanks guys
> > >
> >
> Hey guys, this is using batteries. It is kind of close to my PC but
> still, if it is electrical noise it doesn't seem to bother the 1102
> nearly as bad. Maybe since the 1103 is a more sensitive radio it is
> more sensitive to noise as well. It does seem better outside. I am
> just going by my comparisons in my house. Also I would like to say
> that I find all the ergonomic complaints about the 1103 to be
> exagerated. I find it easier to use than my 1102 and the volume
> control doesn't bother me at all.
>

1397. Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-20 09:19:20 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 1356 Message: 1397

If your computer creates loads of hash, you can try putting a ground
wire to the pc case. (Old BBC micro pc's didnt even have metal cases
so we used metal spray and earth wires to reduce the RFI)

Laptops aren't so easy, but you will have 5mm Hex nuts on serial and
parallel ports - a wire under one of these would be to laptops earth.
(The proper tool to use is a Hex 5mm nutdriver or spinner)
Dont overtighten as the Hex head can break off

A wire wrapped under a Desktops case screw and down to earth or a
circlip around a metal water pipe might help. (NOT mains earth)

Mike

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul" <format4nz@...> wrote:
>
> Some Video recorders, I had a Philips which was a huge noise generator.
> Computers are a killer too, I can hear mine out in the street.
>
> Paul
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Dennis Gibson" <wb6tnb@...>
> To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Thursday, January 03, 2008 7:53 PM
> Subject: [de1103] Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??
>
>
> > If you're referring to the lower wattage fluorescent bulbs I have them
> > all over the house and I don't have any noise problems.
> >
> > Try turning off one circuit breaker at a time and see if the noise
> > gets weaker or maybe even goes away. If that happens your search for
> > the source of the noise will be a lot easier. As mentioned earlier
> > those touch-on lamps put out plenty of garbage; so do light dimmers.
> >
> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Jeremy Trice <jtricer1973@> wrote:
> >>
> >> We recently changed every light bulb in the house to the power
> > compacts. This could be a lot of the noise.
> >
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1398. Re: [de1103] Re: KA 1103 fading in and out?? Mike

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-20 19:14:02 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1398 Message: 1398

A good tip, will try it.

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: "Mike" <g0hci@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 20, 2008 10:19 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

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> wire to the pc case. (Old BBC micro pc's didnt even have metal cases
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1399. Re: PLL LC72137 smd

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-20 19:48:25 UTC
From: coverband64
Topic: 1367 Message: 1399

E-mail directly to Degen. You can find the address at www.degen.com.cn

Always they respond quickly.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paulinho Rebouças - Gmail "
<pu2phk@...> wrote:
>
> Dear friends:
> Sorry my english!!!! hihihih
> Solicituos please for recuperation my DEGEN DE-1103, PLL LC72137 smd.
> Not PLL BRASIL smd.
> thanks!!!!!
>
> Paulo
> Votuporanga-São Paulo-BRASIL
>

1400. Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-20 22:36:23 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1356 Message: 1400

If the external power supply is rated 8 volts @ 300 milliamps, how can 4 AA cells be an appropriate power supply?

Should I just plan on cobbling together a suitable dc adapter?

Gordon Cooper

1401. Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-23 02:03:10 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1356 Message: 1401

Most DC Adapters are not well built(cheap !) In other words without loads (or if lightly loaded) it will show 8 volts BUT with NORMAL loads it will dropped down to somewhere arround 6 volts. If this is the case you are alright otherwise definately is not OK.

>
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> appropriate power supply?
>
> Should I just plan on cobbling together a suitable dc adapter?
>
> Gordon Cooper
>

1402. RE: [de1103] Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-23 02:28:04 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1356 Message: 1402

Guys, I am not sure if you know this but Eton sells the E5/G5 adapter that should work for the 1103. It works great on the G5 I have. Just FYI

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of knyuen88
Sent: Tuesday, January 22, 2008 9:03 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: KA 1103 fading in and out??

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1403. What kind of external antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-27 21:48:38 UTC
From: dogmarty
Topic: 1403 Message: 1403

I recently bought a Kaito KA1103. I bought a small "reel up" antenna too. I would like to go to the next level...a external antenna. I would like to place either something outside eve mounted, or better yet something in my attic. I own a 1 story ranch house... at sea level. Will an antenna up a additional 10 or 20 feet do much for me? What are my options? I understand I need an antenna that will not "overload" this little reciever. And how do I build an antenna and convert to the mini-plug jack?

Thank You in advance for your replies?

1404. R: [de1103] What kind of external antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-28 09:33:15 UTC
From: lidopasquesi@virgilio.it
Topic: 1404 Message: 1404

The wire I received with my Degen works well. Try a long wire with a
little tuner. You would have to try some setup but look, bigger antenna
big signals and sure overload.
Lido

----Messaggio originale----
Da:
huntemup@...
Data: 27-gen-2008 22.48
A: <de1103@yahoogroups.
com>
Ogg: [de1103] What kind of external antenna?

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convert to the mini-plug
jack?

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1405. RE: R: [de1103] What kind of external antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-29 00:56:46 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1404 Message: 1405

I use a 25 meter long wire, with a 9:1 balun with a toroidal ferrite core (put when I used to listen with a Kenwood R600) and which is located at the near house end of the wire, there where the coax connects with the antenna, plus another balun added later when I purchased the Degen. This balun is a cylinder ferrite with a primary and a secondary properly connected, and is at the reach of my hand in the shack. I adjust the reception just to avoid overloading of the front-end.

Reception is superb, however my big problem is TV Cable or TV set interference on the lower bands (particularly 60 and 90 mb tropical bands).

73

Horacio
Uruguay

"lidopasquesi@..." <lidopasquesi@...> escribi?:
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Horacio Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

?Con Mascota por primera vez? - S? un mejor Amigo
Entra en Yahoo! Respuestas.

1406. First Impressions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-31 13:58:19 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1406 Message: 1406

The radio was well-packed, certainly. No batteries included, but not a problem.

The first comment is that there's a radio station in Bremerton that overloads every other am radio I have so badly that most of the spectrum over 1100 is covered with this signal.

The 1103, on dx setting, is not overloaded. This is the quietist am radio I have had in my lifetime.

Found some cw on shortwave, along with wwv, of course, in the afternoon here in Bremerton. BFO was really excellent, and surprising to say, at least as easy to tune on most
stations as the R390 I used in the service, though of course the 1103 doesn't have the stability or sensitivity of that piece of formerly classified technology.

Getting home at night, the radio pulled in 660 am, a Midwestern Canadian station, like it was a local. Separation was superb between stations, as was clarity. I've never heard am like this since my long gone stereo Sony am portable radio some 23 years ago.

I do not understand how someone could think of the ergonomics of the 1103 as weird or difficult. This was an easy, almost intuitive radio to operate after a half hour of knob spinning.

FM was clear, amazingly good. This radio gets stations from Seattle that I've never been able to tune, even when I lived in there.

Cannot comment on shortwave, as the noise from the utility junction box on the outer wall of my apartment makes almost everything on shortwave impossible to listen to due to buzzing.

A great buy, an easy radio to operate, and it is about 40% smaller than I had thought.

Gordon Cooper
Bremerton, WA

1407. Re: First Impressions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-31 14:49:00 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1406 Message: 1407

That's strange that you didn't get any batteries. Mine came with 1300 mah and runs a long time on them. 2500 mah are common these days. You can buy four NiMh rechargeables for about $10.00. Did you buy the Degen or the Kaito?

The extremely low noise floor is part of why it works so well. The 1103 is the biggest bang for the buck. I bought a Sony ICF-SW7600GR about four months before my 1103. I very seldom use the Sony any more; mainly when I need the synchronous detection.

Enjoy!

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> Bremerton, WA

1408. RE: [de1103] Re: First Impressions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-31 15:22:24 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1406 Message: 1408

One guy from china packs the batteries in the pouch. If you want a quiet wall wart get the G5 one from eton for 10 bucks.

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dennis Gibson
Sent: Thursday, January 31, 2008 9:49 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: First Impressions

That's strange that you didn't get any batteries. Mine came with 1300 mah and runs a long time on them. 2500 mah are common these days. You can buy four NiMh rechargeables for about $10.00. Did you buy the Degen or the Kaito?

The extremely low noise floor is part of why it works so well. The 1103 is the biggest bang for the buck. I bought a Sony ICF-SW7600GR about four months before my 1103. I very seldom use the Sony any more; mainly when I need the synchronous detection.

Enjoy!

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com <mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com> , "Gordon Cooper" <kitsaplorax@...> wrote:
>
> The radio was well-packed, certainly. No batteries included, but not a problem.
>
> The first comment is that there's a radio station in Bremerton that overloads every other
> am radio I have so badly that most of the spectrum over 1100 is covered with this signal.
>
> The 1103, on dx setting, is not overloaded. This is the quietest am radio I have had in my
> lifetime.
>
> Found some cw on shortwave, along with wwv, of course, in the afternoon here in
> Bremerton. BFO was really excellent, and surprising to say, at least as easy to tune on most
> stations as the R390 I used in the service, though of course the 1103 doesn't have the
> stability or sensitivity of that piece of formerly classified technology.
>
> Getting home at night, the radio pulled in 660 am, a Midwestern

Canadian station, like it
> was a local. Separation was superb between stations, as was clarity.
I've never heard am
> like this since my long gone stereo Sony am portable radio some 23
years ago.
>
> I do not understand how someone could think of the ergonomics of the
1103 as weird or
> difficult. This was an easy, almost intuitive radio to operate after
a half hour of knob
> spinning.
>
> FM was clear, amazingly good. This radio gets stations from Seattle
that I've never been
> able to tune, even when I lived in there.
>
> Cannot comment on shortwave, as the noise from the utility junction
box on the outer wall
> of my apartment makes almost everything on shortwave impossible to
listen to due to
> buzzing.
>
> A great buy, an easy radio to operate, and it is about 40% smaller
than I had thought.
>
> Gordon Cooper
> Bremerton, WA

1409. Re: [de1103] First Impressions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-31 23:17:35 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1406 Message: 1409

At 11:58 31/01/2008, you wrote:

>The radio was well-packed, certainly. No
>batteries included, but not a problem.

Odd that you did get no batteries. Perhaps they
are trying to lower their costs even more... I
have two of them purchased by different ways and
both came with a pack of green Degen rechargeables.

I'm glad to hear that you are as satisfied with
the receiver as I am. MW DXing is hard in this
country were the band is crowded with local
stations, but I have been able to pick up the
Falklands on 530 without any external antenna (not everyday, of course).

On SW I have catched Papua New Guinea and Vanuatu
on the tropical bands with the telescopic antenna...
You can't ask for more for the price.

73

Moisés Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

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Version: 7.5.516 / Virus Database: 269.19.18/1254 - Release Date: 31/01/2008 20:30

1410. RE: [de1103] First Impressions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-01-31 23:21:21 UTC
From: Sid Choudhry
Topic: 1406 Message: 1410

I also has trouble in finding the batteries in the package. Look closely underneath the packing material. That is how I found my four batteries. I was almost about to write to the seller. The batteries were taped underneath.

To: de1103@yahoogroups.comFrom: moises.knochen@...: Thu, 31 Jan 2008 21:17:35 -0200Subject: Re: [de1103] First Impressions

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Climb to the top of the charts! Play the word scramble challenge with star power.
http://club.live.com/star_shuffle.aspx?icid=starshuffle_wlmailtextlink_jan

1411. Re: First Impressions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-01 01:52:16 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1406 Message: 1411

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Sid Choudhry <sidchoudhry@...> wrote:
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> I also has trouble in finding the batteries in the package. Look closely underneath the packing material. That is how I found my four batteries. I was almost about to write to the seller. The batteries were taped underneath.

Mea culpa, amigos!

They were tightly taped to the inside of the plastic formed box, on the underside.

Ah well, the 2500 mAH batteries should almost be out of the charger tonight, and the Degen green batteries can get zapped overnight and ready for their next mission.

Gordon Cooper

1412. Re: First Impressions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-01 02:08:32 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1406 Message: 1412

Glad you found them. I'm pleasantly surprised at how long they last. If you think 1300 mah is cheap my Eton E10, a radio that lists for $130.00 (and isn't worth it; no SSB) came with 1100 mah. They would not power the radio nor charge inside of it. They were .70 volts DC. I charged them in an external charger and they've been on their best behavior (charging in the radio) ever since.

The only reason I bought the Eton E10 because Fry's was selling refurbs for $30.00!! I didn't really need another radio but you know how that goes.....

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Gordon Cooper" <kitsaplorax@...> wrote:

> Mea culpa, amigos!
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> They were tightly taped to the inside of the plastic formed box, on the underside.
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> Ah well, the 2500 mAH batteries should almost be out of the charger tonight, and the Degen
> green batteries can get zapped overnight and ready for their next mission.
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> Gordon Cooper

1413. Re:First Impressions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-01 15:36:42 UTC
From: Sam Barrett
Topic: 1406 Message: 1413

Glad you like the radio.

Your review causes me to ask a question that has had me wondering for some time. I have had my 1103 for at least 3 years, with no problems other than the occassional flakey operation of the decoder.

But, there is one local FM station on 96.6mHz that is so strong that it blocks out the one that is at 97.7mHz. The local/dx switch does not seem to affect it. I have tried it with the antenna collapsed, which helps some, but it is not 100%. Does anyone have any suggestions on how to decrease the sensitivity on FM.

All in all, great radio.

Sam Barrett

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1414. Re:First Impressions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-04 00:52:30 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1406 Message: 1414

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Sam Barrett <smbarrett@...> wrote:
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the antenna collapsed, which helps some, but it is not 100%. Does anyone have any suggestions on how to decrease the sensitivity on FM.
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> All in all, great radio.
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> Sam Barrett

That isn't a sensitivity problem, but most likely one of selectivity. The bandwidth filter is
just a bit too wide to distinguish between those stations. I am given to understand that there are places that can fit a narrower filter-maybe Kiwa could suggest a suitable fix. A narrower bandwidth means a narrower signal, so you lose some of the high frequencies.

Not really a problem if the alternative is not hearing the station at all.

My location is poor-the Seattle stations don't exactly focus on the Bremerton market. Getting fm at all is a marvel-my 5.1 Dolby system can't get a thing, and the DE1103 receives all of the Seattle stations.

Gordon Cooper

Gordon Cooper

1415. AC operation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-06 13:50:32 UTC
From: E Zohn
Topic: 1415 Message: 1415

I'm new to the group and I've had my DE1103 for only a few days. It was purchased from an eBay seller located in China. Overall I'm very happy with my purchase. However the radio does not operate in the AC only mode, i.e., AC adaptor connected, batteries removed, as outlined in the ops manual.

In the AC mode the clock and light works. But the radio does operate when the power switch is turned on. It comes on and immediately switches off. The supplied power supply, P/N KA22D060030034C is rated at 110v/50Hz (?), 6v/300Ma.

Any help is appreciated .

1416. Re: AC operation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-06 21:51:31 UTC
From: pcridd
Topic: 1415 Message: 1416

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "E Zohn" <ezohn47@...> wrote:
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> when the power switch is turned on. It comes on and immediately
> switches off. The supplied power supply, P/N KA22D060030034C is rated
> at 110v/50Hz (?), 6v/300Ma.

I had the same exact problem with the DE1103 I ordered from China through eBay in early January. I also noticed with the supplied adapter that the supplied recharageable batteries did not charge at the rate described in the manual.

Once I replaced the AC adapter with one from Radio Shack, everything worked as expected.

1417. Re: AC operation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-07 14:29:55 UTC
From: E Zohn
Topic: 1415 Message: 1417

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "pcridd" <pcridd@...> wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "E Zohn" <ezohn47@> wrote:
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> the rate described in the manual.
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> worked as expected.
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Thank you for the info. I ordered a replacement AC adaptor from
another eBay seller, tquchina. The radio and power adaptor in
question was supplied by another ebay seller. Hopefully the
replacement will solve my problem....

1418. Re: AC operation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-07 15:49:52 UTC
From: Travers
Topic: 1415 Message: 1418

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the internal charger really doesn't really charge much. Using the
manual's calculation (1300ma battery divided by 100) I charge for 13
hours and when done the battery indicator only registers 1 bar. I
get MAYBE a day of use from it. Should I try a longer charge time
or should I just use a external charger ? I haven't tried the radio
through AC power only.

Travers

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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "pcridd" <pcridd@> wrote:
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1419. Re: AC operation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-07 18:41:46 UTC
From: E Zohn
Topic: 1415 Message: 1419

Travers, I also noticed the charger was not charging as adverticed. My charging results were about the same as you describe. I would like to hear your results when operating the radio in the AC power only mode.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Travers" <tmode93@...> wrote:
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> manual's calculation (1300ma battery divided by 100) I charge for
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radio
> through AC power only.
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> Travers
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "E Zohn" <ezohn47@> wrote:
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> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "pcridd" <pcridd@> wrote:
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1420. Re: [de1103] Re: AC operation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-07 18:55:14 UTC
From: Alfred Rugel
Topic: 1415 Message: 1420

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with radio. The radio will turn on and immediately off. Batteries, both Nicad's

which I charge in a separate charger work fine. Standard AA's also work fine.

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I can only assume the supplied PS from China does not have sufficient

MA's???

E Zohn <ezohn47@...> wrote:
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> or should I just use a external charger ? I haven't tried the
radio
> through AC power only.
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> Travers
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "E Zohn" <ezohn47@> wrote:
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> > > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "E Zohn" <ezohn47@> wrote:
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1421. Re: AC operation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-07 19:39:46 UTC
From: E Zohn
Topic: 1415 Message: 1421

Thanks for the info. What are the listed specs and P/N of the
supplied PS?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Alfred Rugel <rugelj2002@...> wrote:
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1422. Re: [de1103] Re: AC operation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-07 19:41:44 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1415 Message: 1422

Check that your local mains voltage is rated the same as the charger.

If the charger is rated 110V AC and you plug it into a 230/240V AC socket it will blow

if the charger is 230/240V AC and is plugged into a 110V socket it will probably not function.

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: Alfred Rugel
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, February 08, 2008 7:55 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: AC operation

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1423. Re: AC operation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-07 20:00:29 UTC
From: E Zohn
Topic: 1415 Message: 1423

I assumed everyone responding to this particular thread had an 110v AC source and 110v PS. I completely forgot there are folks in this group who could have another source other than 110v.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul" <format4nz@...> wrote:
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> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Friday, February 08, 2008 7:55 AM
> Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: AC operation
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> Never miss a thing. Make Yahoo your homepage.
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1424. Re: [de1103] Re: AC operation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-08 01:28:52 UTC
From: Camilo So
Topic: 1415 Message: 1424

Its good that I open and check the charger when they are new, The transformer secondary voltage is 6 volts when new, when my A/C adapter supply fail to charge the battery, and well not power the radio, I open and check the voltage on the transformer its below 6 volts, about 5.6 VAC, when the voltage goes in to the voltage regulator IC LM7806, it drops even more, under load its 5.8 volts DC this voltage was push up by the charging of the capacitor, when load is apply it drops to about 5.2 volt. so I took the transformer apart and found out that the magnet wire they are using have a poor quality of varnish, that it cause an internal short of about a turn, it did not burn the transformer because its design for 50 Hertz, If its design for 60 Hertz it will get very hot, when I rewineded the transformer with new magnet wire,it works great now, hope this help.

W4CSO

----- Original Message -----
From: E Zohn
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, February 07, 2008 1:41 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: AC operation

Travers, I also noticed the charger was not charging as adverticed.
My charging results were about the same as you describe. I would like
to hear your results when operating the radio in the AC power only
mode.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Travers" <tmode93@...> wrote:
>
> I ordered the Degen 1103 from China through ebay and have noticed
> the internal charger really doesn't really charge much. Using the
> manual's calculation (1300ma battery divided by 100) I charge for
13
> hours and when done the battery indicator only registers 1 bar. I
> get MAYBE a day of use from it. Should I try a longer charge time
> or should I just use a external charger ? I haven't tried the
radio
> through AC power only.
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> Travers
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "E Zohn" <ezohn47@> wrote:
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> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "pcridd" <pcridd@> wrote:
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> > > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "E Zohn" <ezohn47@> wrote:
> > > >
> > > > In the AC mode the clock and light works. But the radio does

> > operate
> > > > when the power switch is turned on. It comes on and
> immediately
> > > > switches off. The supplied power supply, P/N KA22D060030034C
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1425. Re: [de1103] Re: AC operation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-08 02:06:53 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1415 Message: 1425

At 18:00 07/02/2008, you wrote:

>I assumed everyone responding to this particular thread had an 110v
>AC source and 110v PS. I completely forgot there are folks in this
>group who could have another source other than 110v.

I live in a country where a 220-V power grid is
used. Both of my two DE-1103 came with 220-V
power supplies which bear the P/N
KA22D060030034C... the same part number reported by E. Zohn.

1) I find strange that two different power
supply models (one for 110 V and the other for
220 V) have exactly the same part number, but who knows

2) The 220-V version has flat parallel prongs
identical to those used in the US system, so it
is impossible to tell one from another unless one reads the label.

I think that it is not impossible for the
manufacturer to mislabel the unit and then the
user gets the wrong version. Chinese
manufacturers are not famous because of their quality control practices...

If you have access to a tester it would be
interesting to measure the DC voltage supplied by the adapter.

Hope this helps.

Moisés Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

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No virus found in this outgoing message.
Checked by AVG Free Edition.
Version: 7.5.516 / Virus Database: 269.19.21/1265 - Release Date: 07/02/2008 11:17

1426. Re: AC operation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-08 03:20:24 UTC
From: Travers
Topic: 1415 Message: 1426

The AC adapter that came with the radio will power my radio with AC power only (batteries taken out). So at least the included PS does that.

This has been a fun game in AC adapter stats. The included power supply is 110v ~ 50Hz input; 6V 300mA output. Now this differs from the DE1103 operation manual specification of 8V 300mA output for power. In the US AC adapters are 120v ~ 60Hz input which makes the included PS odd with 110v/50Hz.

In the end the included PS will power the radio from AC only but is no good for charging. I do have a spare Radio Shack AC multi-adapter that does 6 or 7.5V input at 300mA. I just need to find the correct sized tip to use it with the Degen 1103. I want charging damnit! :D

Travers

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1427. RE: [de1103] Re: AC operation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-08 03:42:14 UTC
From: Sid Choudhry
Topic: 1415 Message: 1427

My charger that came with the DE1103 is a Ktec, model number KA11R080025033N, Input 110v AC 60Hz, Output 8V DC 250ma.

To: de1103@yahoogroups.comFrom: tmode93@...: Fri, 8 Feb 2008 03:20:24 +0000Subject: [de1103] Re: AC operation

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1428. Re: AC operation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-08 18:51:49 UTC
From: E Zohn
Topic: 1415 Message: 1428

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1429. 1103 price

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-08 19:00:10 UTC
From: Richard Line
Topic: 1429 Message: 1429

I told a co-worker that I had seen an 1103 pretty cheap recently,
but I don't know where it was. Any good sources ?
It may have been rebadged.
Thanks Rich KC8HMJ

1430. RE: [de1103] 1103 price

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-08 23:01:10 UTC
From: don sadam
Topic: 1429 Message: 1430

eBay. Hong Kong Vendor.

To: de1103@yahoogroups.comFrom: birdice56@yahoo.comDate: Fri, 8 Feb 2008 19:00:10 +0000Subject: [de1103] 1103 price

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1431. Re: 1103 price

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-09 01:16:42 UTC
From: E Zohn
Topic: 1429 Message: 1431

US $49.90 + Shipping Costs: US $24.00 (Shipped from China)

http://stores.ebay.com/RADIO-AND-COMPONENT

$89.95 + Shipping Costs (Shipped from OH)

http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/portable/0028.html

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, don sadam <donsadam@...> wrote:
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1432. Re: AC operation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-10 17:22:25 UTC
From: Travers
Topic: 1415 Message: 1432

Glad to help.

I'm still fighting with mine. In my case the AC adapter might be fine but the batteries are defective. I tried charging the Degen batteries in a external charger and they still didn't hold a charge! Next test I'll use non-Degen rechargables and a non-Degen AC adapter to see if the radio charges. Funny though despite the battery charger probs the radio is still a steal at $50 (great performer!). I've been chronicalling the battery adventure on my radio blog.

Travers
http://radiotravers.blogspot.com

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "E Zohn" <ezohn47@...> wrote:
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1433. Re: [de1103] Re: AC operation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-10 19:11:53 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1415 Message: 1433

Travers

If you want to eliminate one or the other, don't replace the batteries and charger at the same time because you won't know for certain which was defective.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "Travers" <tmode93@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2008 6:22 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: AC operation

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1434. Re: AC operation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-11 13:55:29 UTC
From: Travers
Topic: 1415 Message: 1434

In a previous post I said the AC adapter works (at least it powers the radio); it's the batteries that don't seem to hold a charge for any time. I'm still testing random things. I think the adapter just barely covers powering the radio (based on specs) and the Degen batteries are shot (since they don't charge anywhere).

Travers

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul" <format4nz@...> wrote:
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1436. Power Issue and Positive Feedback on Radio and Component

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-13 04:56:39 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1436 Message: 1436

I sent an email to Tao Qu (Radio and Component) about the 1103 needing a reset when putting in fresh batteries or when going from battery to ac power.

He called the factory and talked to the engineer there, and responded to my email in about five minutes. This is an occasional bug, but not a problem. Just hit the reset button.

Wow.

I know who my next four or five electronics purchases are coming from in China.

Gordon Cooper

1437. Re: [de1103] Power Issue and Positive Feedback on Radio and Component

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-13 06:42:59 UTC
From: Eric Skeen
Topic: 1436 Message: 1437

I agree. This Seller is very friendly and efficient and I would
recommend him anytime.

I also found the postage stamps on the parcel most fascinating :)

-Eric
That Guy in South Africa...
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Vintage Tube Hobby Group:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vintage_tube/

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1438. Re: Power Issue and Positive Feedback on Radio and Component

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-13 15:48:49 UTC
From: E Zohn
Topic: 1436 Message: 1438

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1439. Re: What kind of external antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-13 11:26:34 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1403 Message: 1439

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "dogmarty" <huntemup@...> wrote:

> Will an antenna up a additional 10 or 20 feet do much for me?

of course!

> What are my options? I understand I need an antenna that will
> not "overload" this little reciever.

A good simple antenna is LW 21 meters long or asymmetric dipole
WINDOM, for example: http://www.dxzone.com/catalog/Antennas/Windom/
(Carolina or FD4...). Just, I think, You do not need to balun.
Coaxial cable connect directly to the antenna.

> And how do I build an antenna and
> convert to the mini-plug jack?

use one's discretion. :)

1440. Carrying case for DE/KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-17 17:52:44 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1440 Message: 1440

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1441. Re: Carrying case for DE/KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-18 14:22:38 UTC
From: Jim Hackett
Topic: 1440 Message: 1441

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It DOES go face down. :(

1442. Re: Carrying case for DE/KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-18 14:26:10 UTC
From: pcridd
Topic: 1440 Message: 1442

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1443. Re: Carrying case for DE/KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-19 02:18:49 UTC
From: ppasteur
Topic: 1440 Message: 1443

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The cutouts for the fine tuning wheel and light switch don't line up if you flip it over and the tuning knob is covered, but this doesn't make much difference. You can't use the radio when it is in the case anyway. There are no cutouts for the speaker and you can't see any of the display. The remaining cutouts and the uncovered tuning wheel can't do much good at this point.

I got the case just to protect the radio when I throw it in my suitcase or breifcase. For this purpose it works just fine. I figured out pretty quickly that I had to take the radio out of the case to use it, so it really doesn't make any difference as to how I put the radio into the case when I put it away.

I just looked at my Sangean ATS-909, my Eton E100 and E10. The flap on the case does fold towards the user on all of them when the front of the radio is facing the user. However, ALL of them need to be removed from the case for use. The E100 case exposes the tuning knob and maybe 25% of the speaker, but everything else is covered. I thought maybe I could use it with an earphone, with the radio remaining in the case, but the earphone jack is covered by the case.

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Date: 2008-02-19 02:29:48 UTC
From: ppasteur
Topic: 1440 Message: 1444

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1445. Re: Carrying case for DE/KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-19 06:35:58 UTC
From: cinemagic
Topic: 1440 Message: 1445

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>
> Has anyone bought the imitation leather carrying case being sold by
> liypn on eBay? The photo makes it look like the radio goes face down.
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Hi Dennis;
Yes, I've bought one of the carry cases. It's good value; nice and soft and protects the radio extremely well. You're right, the radio goes in face down, but it slides in and out of the case very easily. Be aware that it is really only a carry case - it doesn't have any cut-outs for speaker, dial and controls. To cater for the big LCD dial and range of knobs, the case would probably not be structurally strong enough to provide much protection. But as it is, it's a good, protective travel case, and that's all I really want.
Cam

1446. Re: Power Issue and Positive Feedback on Radio and Component

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-19 04:40:15 UTC
From: pickle5482
Topic: 1436 Message: 1446

-Can you please tell me where the reset button is for this de1103?
pickelking2005@...

\-- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Gordon Cooper" <kitsaplorax@...> wrote:
>
> I sent an email to Tao Qu (Radio and Component) about the 1103
needing a reset when
> putting in fresh batteries or when going from battery to ac power.
>
> He called the factory and talked to the engineer there, and
responded to my email in about
> five minutes. This is an occasional bug, but not a problem. Just hit
the reset button.
>
> Wow.
>
> I know who my next four or five electronics purchases are coming
from in China.
>
> Gordon Cooper
>

1447. de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-19 04:57:50 UTC
From: pickle5482
Topic: 1447 Message: 1447

Can anyone tell me how to find the schematic diagram of the de1103.
Also where is this reset button located? I read this but cannot find
the message. Thanks for your help.

Bob

1448. Re: [de1103] de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-19 10:02:13 UTC
From: jcboisserie@free.fr
Topic: 1447 Message: 1448

Hello,

For the schematic, I don't know, but the reset is a little hole besides the power button .

Jean-Chris

Selon pickle5482 <pickle5482@...>:

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1449. Re: [de1103] de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-19 10:35:27 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1447 Message: 1449

----- Original Message -----
From: "pickle5482" <pickle5482@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2008 4:57 AM
Subject: [de1103] de1103

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> Also where is this reset button located? I read this but cannot find
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The schematic is in the group's Files area. The reset button is in the small
hole marked RESET to the right of the on/off button.

Leon
--
Leon Heller
Amateur radio call-sign G1HSM
Yaesu FT-817ND transceiver
Suzuki SV1000S motorcycle
leon355@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller

1450. NEW MEMBER FROM PANAMA

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-21 04:35:36 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1450 Message: 1450

Very dear fans of Degen DE1103:

My name is Carlos. I am from Panama. I was a ham radio operator when younger. But I have been a shortwave radio enthusiast since I was 15 years old. I am now 60.

My first good radio was a Grundig Satellit 6001. Later on, I had a Sony 2001D with a Sony AN-1. Finally, I had the Sony ICF-SW55. I did make very good dx.

Among other things, I enjoyed listening the Somoza's Army and the nicaraguan guerrilla fighting each other even across the hertzian waves. They used a lot of strong words.

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2. How to avoid resetting the radio after changing the batteries. I have planned to use some NiCad batteries I have because I have a charger. Besides, I have read that many of you prefer to use batteries.

Well, thanks so much for your kind attention to this message. Best regards to all, Carlos

1451. RE: [de1103] NEW MEMBER FROM PANAMA

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-21 12:31:25 UTC
From: don sadam
Topic: 1450 Message: 1451

Welcome Carlos! The batteries can be recharged without removing them from the Radio.
Regards, Don Adams

To: de1103@yahoogroups.comFrom: vargasvidal@...: Thu, 21 Feb 2008 04:35:36 +0000Subject: [de1103] NEW MEMBER FROM PANAMA

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1452. Re: [de110 Welcome Carlos

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-21 13:32:49 UTC
From: k6yaz@aol.com
Topic: 1452 Message: 1452

Welcome to the group. Enjoy your new radio; it's quite a find for an inexpensive piece of equipment.

You might consider ham radio again. It's changed quite a bit in the last few years. There is ham radio in the International Space Station, ham satellites, and Internet connections. I've been a ham since 1956 and am still enjoying the hobby.

Stuart K6YAZ
Los Angeles, California USA

**********Ideas to please picky eaters. Watch video on AOL Living. (http://living.aol.com/video/how-to-please-your-picky-eater/rachel-campos-duffy/2050827?NCID=aolcmp00300000002598)

1453. Not so new member

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-21 14:30:11 UTC
From: Travers
Topic: 1453 Message: 1453

Still haven't solved the battery charging issue since I've been using alkalines. Anyways I did a brief Degen 1103 review on my blog I thought I'd share here. Thanks for everyones help!

http://radiotravers.blogspot.com/2008/02/degen-1103-review.html
<http://radiotravers.blogspot.com/2008/02/degen-1103-review.html>

Travers

1454. RE: [de1103] NEW MEMBER FROM PANAMA

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-21 16:17:13 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1450 Message: 1454

Hi Carlos, welcome to the group. I live in Uruguay and would like to share my experience of two years using this fine receiver.

Mine was bought in Spain, and it was sold to me tested, I mean, no problems of circuitry due to an eventual failure of the quality control at factory. It came complete 220/6V wall transformer, of good quality, didn't produce 50Hz hum. The batteries which are NiMH (not NiCads) Eton brand, an earphones set. Manual, etc..

The first things that focus your attention with this receiver are first, the way it changes the volume, you?ll find it strange to push the volume button plus moving the jog wheel. If you get an amplified set of speakers of those used in PCs (I got a 2.1 Genius) you'll find a nice and rich audio. With the use you'll tolerate this particular design, and the volume will be controlled with the outboard audio amplifier.

Second, you'll find an outstanding sensitivity in FM for this receiver. And very well set narrow selectivity for SW, and a good performer in MW.

Third, when you decide to connect an external antenna, it will be a problem to connect for instance 25 meters of wire without previous solving the coupling factor, since the receiver will overload. For this reason I constructed baluns (matching impedance transformers) for that, using a ferrite rod or/and toroidal core. It's better to place it at the near end of the wire, there where the far end of the coaxial cable is connected.

You can test with several turn ratios in order to get a proper transfer of the signal to the receiver without overloading.

See http://arieldx.tripod.com/estaciondx/proyectos/balun41.htm and

http://arieldx.tripod.com/estaciondx/proyectos/balun91.htm

for schematics of simple baluns, both of which are in use at my shack and which I've built. (I have the toroidal balun in the far end of the coaxial and a ferrite rod at the near end, close to my receiver.

In the meantime, if you use the telescopic antenna, try to not to play too much with it, it's delicate and I know several cases in which it has fallen.

Fourth, the static problem: avoid touching the telescopic antenna if you're in dry weather and anytime you can be careful with this issue. Your body maybe charged of static electricity anybtime you walk over a rug or playing with plastic bags, etc. specially in dry weather days and you could damage the FET front end RF amplifier which I believe is the heart and main reason of the good sensitivity the receiver has.

My practice is, when a strong lightning storm is near your QTH and more if it's over your house or quarter, disconnect the outdoor antenna, and also disconnect the receiver from the mains 220 V outlet. Moreover... I practice this every day when I leave home to go to work. No antenna connected and only using the batteries in receiver standby to keep alive the clock.

When I return home, before I connect the external antenna I touch the plug with my hands and touch the wall. This to discharge any presence of static in the antenna or coax. And I connect the wall ACDC converter.

In the bad moment you blow the front-end FET, try to get the replacement at eBay. Anyways, I have a good number of them I can provide to you in case you need, because I once experienced the fate of burning them one time when a lightning fell near my house. Those are the kind of lightnings that produce a slight change in the light bulbs and when you feel is the inevitable and precise moment you think you have to disconnect the PC modem or the cable TV connector from your TV set. The replacement of the FET was made by a friend of mine who professional works in servicing car electronic parts (speed meters, ec.) and who owns a controlled temperature soldering station. There are surface mounting components you have to deal!

Fifth, avoid using the detachable plastic lid in the rear. It's very nice, but fragile, as it happens with other receivers like the Sony 7600G or Grundig Yacht Boy 400, which also owned some time ago. Try to find a plexiglass angled piece or other substitute to put the receiver.

Sixth, recharge your batteries (I repeat I use NiMH) with an external charger and discard using the receiver's own option of charging them. You'll get faster and better results.

I sure you'll enjoy the receiver's fine performance regarding the low priced it is.

Finally, I discarded the original earphones. I purchased also in Barcelona, Spain, a pair of Sennheiser ones which I found much better.

Carlos, it's very cool you heard those war transmissions. Do you have some recordings of them to share as mp3?. I am very interested! And please share your comments on the Degen DE1103 when you start playing with it, and your first DX catches!

Now few words in Spanish...
Si quieres integrar la lista Yahoogroups donde estamos muchos sudamericanos principalmente de Argentina, Uruguay, Chile, Venezuela, etc. el nombre de la misma es Condiglist. Con mucho gusto tambien podemos conversar en Espa?ol via mi direcci?n e-mail personal.

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Montevideo
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Date: 2008-02-21 21:41:09 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1450 Message: 1455

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This morning I bough from La Casa del Teléfono (the only distributor in Panama of Radio Shack) an AC-to-DC Power Adapter. The catalog number is 273-025. It is a regulated and filtered adapter of 6V and 300mA. It cost $12.99 plus tax. I bought it because somebody wrote in these forum about the complains with respect to Degen AC-to-DC Adapter and charger.

Well, thanks so much again. Carlos

1456. Re: NEW MEMBER FROM PANAMA

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Date: 2008-02-21 22:45:29 UTC
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Topic: 1450 Message: 1456

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1457. RE: [de1103] Re: NEW MEMBER FROM PANAMA

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-21 22:58:03 UTC
From: don sadam
Topic: 1450 Message: 1457

I purchased mine a year ago and the supplied batteries are still taking a charge without any problem. I wish they were of greater charge capacity being only 1100s. I must second aprevious poster. You really should give amatuer radio another go. The hobby opens up many more opportunites for fun than just SWLing offers. 73, Don Adams, N4BWV

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1458. RE: [de1103] Re: NEW MEMBER FROM PANAMA

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-21 23:04:08 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1450 Message: 1458

They can be but.... as said in my previous post still unanswered by Carlos:
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1459. Re: NEW MEMBER FROM PANAMA

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-22 02:45:26 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1450 Message: 1459

Dear Horacio: this is the second time I write this letter. The first one got lost while writing it. Please, pardon my English (though I studied hotel management in USA, in New York, the Big Apple, back in 1974, I forgot how to use the language properly; but I have not forgotten NY. Ja, ja), nevertheless, I will try to answer you long letter from the beginning to the end. Thank you, by the way for your time, it shows me you cared a lot about me and my radio hobby. May God bless you!

I travelled to Chile (Santiago, Viña del Mar and Valparaíso) but I never went further. I know I have missed a lot. I have heard very nice things about Argentina and Uruguay.

It is a very good idea to have an external speaker. Specially such as the one you mention, with an amplifier. Unfortunately, I can not afford to buy many things now. I do not have a steady job. Hotel owners believe that, at my age, we are obsolete. Ja, ja. But I found a cure for the speaker. I have one from Radio Shack (#21-549B), from the "old times". It is 8 ohms and 5 watts device. I will plug it to my DSP Noise Reduction System, also from the "old times". It is a computer controlled (#21-543) digital signal processor. It is not reviewed very well by eHam, but it worked perfect for me. It has a built-in audio amplifier and speaker. But it also has an outlet for an external speaker. The right place for my speaker mentioned above. The DSP circuit dramatically reduces heterodynes and background noises from incoming signals. So, it is specially good for the tropical bands and around. The device can be used with small radios since the max audio input level is 3 volt peak-peak. As long as I have the right audio input and can play with the signal.

I bought the radio (not yet, it is not with me. Ja, ja) for his sensitivity and selectivity. Thanks for giving me the news that the radio is indeed sensitive. In our region, with transmitters with low and very low power, this is a must. I also have a cure for that. I do not believe in complex and big antennas for the small portable radios. I just think they were not built to handle that. I did buy a 30 feet long wire, 16 awc, stranded and enamel (I forgot the jargon of ham radio operators). I did not buy a thicker wire normally used (12 or 14 caliber) because mine is more manageable. And I will plug it to an Amplified Shortwave Antenna from Radio Shack (#20-0280). It is also from the "old times". The device has a 20 dB gain which compensate the lack of the 10 db gain that are lost thru the external antenna outlet of the radio. But the most important thing, specially for the small portables radios, is the Tuning Knob. It does act as a preselector. It also has an RF Gain Knob which takes care of the overmodulations and so on. So you can see, Horacio, I am more o less

well prepared to receive my Degen DE1103 radio.

With respect to the static problem I bought this morning from La Casa del Teléfono, the only distributor of Radio Shack, here in Panama, a bunch of diodes 1N4148. I told the owner of the store, a friend of mine, that I was looking for some diodes for the antenna. I never mentioned him the part number. He looked around and gave me the package with the right diodes. I think he knows too much, ja, ja. I have now 10 diodes for the amount of $2.85 plus tax. If somebody wants a couple of them, I am willing to mail them at not cost. YET, Mr Tao Qu just wrote to me. He said he has sold 2,000 radios and never heard of any complain about the Q stage of the radio. He also assured me that this problem was fixed. I wrote to him that I must believe. After all he is a straightforward person. But, as you know, Horacio, there are many risks in life. You never know when a defective part infiltrates equipments. So, keep for me those FET transistors you said you purchased. I really hope I never have the need to use them.

Thanks for the info about the back lid of the radio. I will try to get a cheap plastic stand as soon as I can. By the way, I also owned the Sony ICF-7600 G, but I gave it away. I never got accustomed to the up and down tuning and muting. Imagine, I had the Yaesu FRG-7 and was so charmed o delighted about the many knobs it had. It was so good to spend some time looking for a radio station. The real and biggest problem was that it was always impossible to have a more precise frequency number. So, I gave up.

With respect to the batteries I will appreciate that you read my message to Don. I mentioned him several important things. I bought this morning, before receiving an email from Mr Tao Qu, an AC-to-DC adapter from Radio Shack (#273-025). It is regulated and filtered. The output is 6 volts and 300mA. I only hope that the adapter and charger from Degen be in very good conditions, the same with the batteries that come with the radio.

I also have a cure for the earphones. I have from the "old times" a pair of headphones from Radio Shack (#20-210A). They have a good review from eHam and were used by many radio enthusiasts. They remind me of the headphones that the air pilots of World War I used, ja, ja.

I do not have any recording of those war episodes. It is a pity. I heard many things that are not known by many persons, except those involved. But is everything comes out well I hope I can have some good catching. There is a very hot area in our region: Colombia and Venezuela. I used to hear the Colombian Army before. I also heard some very strange communications. I could swear that they came from drug traffickers and guerrillas. If I get to hear those I will certainly post them in the right forum. And of course, I will let you know. One thing I miss is not to have those big antennas the US Armed Forces had in Panama many years ago. I knew them because I got to be

a Night Manager of a US Air Force Open Mess. So I travelled across several military bases.

I will check the yahoo group you mentioned me in Spanish. I was member of the American Shortwave Listeners' Club, based in California. Some of the members belong now to a yahoo group. I understand that there are other nice web pages like the one directed by Glen Hauser.

Horacio, thanks so much for your kind attention. And I hope I have also been helpful to this fine group.

Best regards to all,

Carlos Vargas Vidal
From Panama

1460. Re: de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-26 12:07:37 UTC
From: pickle5482
Topic: 1447 Message: 1460

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon" <leon355@...> wrote:
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "pickle5482" <pickle5482@...>
> To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2008 4:57 AM
> Subject: [de1103] de1103
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de1103.
> > Also where is this reset button located? I read this but cannot
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> Leon
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> Amateur radio call-sign G1HSM
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> Suzuki SV1000S motorcycle
> leon355@...
> http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller

Thanks! I brought the de1103 to a shop and they say it needs a cpu
replacement which is unavailable in Thailand. Can anyone give me
more information on this CPU?
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1461. Re: de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-26 14:13:21 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1447 Message: 1461

Even if you can get the CPU from the manufacturer(check the Degen website) you still need sophisticated equipment to re-program it. Sorts of mission impossible.
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May be others in this group can help. Good luck.

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1462. Re: [de1103] Re: de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-26 14:39:21 UTC
From: Robert Johnson
Topic: 1447 Message: 1462

Many Thanks!

There is a due sellilng these defective de1103 on eBay. His latest is one that has power but no sound. If interested go to ebayand type in defective de1103. He is in Illinois. If I get interested I may purchase one from mainland China or stay satisfied with my Sonty ICF2001 or whatever the model number is.

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Never miss a thing. Make Yahoo your homepage.

1463. RE: [de1103] Re: de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-02-27 01:42:14 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1447 Message: 1463

Anyone wanting a G5. I just saw this on ebay, I have no interest in this auction.
http://cgi.ebay.com/NEW-GRUNDIG-G5-AM-FM-SW-Shortwave-Portable-Radio-Black_W0QQitemZ370027051640QQihZ024QQcategoryZ15051QQssPageNameZWDVWQQrdZ1QQcmdZViewItem

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of pickle5482
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:08 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: de1103

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1464. Degen DE1103 arrives in Panama

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-01 04:51:34 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1464 Message: 1464

Hello, everybody. I hope your are fine.

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I am using an L inverted antenna (homemade) of about 15 feet (my balcony can not afford a longer wire). Plus an amplifier from Radio Shack and a digital processor from the same company. The built-in antenna is very good, but there is no doubt, the ouside antenna with the amplifier do a better job, of course. I do not hear so much noise with the built-in antenna but the digital processor reduces somehow that noise.

I changed 3 times the batteries and I did not have to reset the radio.

Strangely, I received today a small AM Loop Antenna from Sony. I did not expect it today. It is plastic and 4 inches all around, more or less. It has 8 turns of wire and two ends. I put it close to the radio but nothing happened. I understand this antenna was used with Sony Stereo Radios. How can I make it work?

Well, very best regards to all of you, and thanks for your comments. The radio was purchased from Mr Tao Qu. It took 13 days to arrive here in Panamá.

Chao,

Carlos

1465. Re: Degen DE1103 arrives in Panama

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-01 11:32:33 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1464 Message: 1465

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<vargasvidal@...> wrote:
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Connected the same loop to a Sony ICF-SW7600g gives less signal strength.
This AM-loop is not for portable radio's I think.

Reg.: jan

1466. Re: Degen DE1103 arrives in Panama

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-01 16:43:26 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1464 Message: 1466

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1467. RE: [de1103] Re: Degen DE1103 arrives in Panama

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-01 17:06:54 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1464 Message: 1467

An external antenna acts for the DE103 in MW when the "below 100 kHz reception mod" is done. Acc to past posting (Message #295) in this group:

"Trick Tune below 100KHZ (If you want to)

You will be able to switch off ferrite bar ant. and use the wip or external.

Put in 21951 khz press am +
Press am fm together and start searching downward to below 100 khz.

Once you are below 100 stop the scan and store the frequency (you can go down to 000 and save it. Start from there) then pull it back up from the memory bank and turn off the radio. When you turn the radio on start turning the dial.You will be on the whip.

You can check your progress by placing your hand on the ant.I like to go down towards the am stations. By using the whip or external you should be able to hear many more stations."

Horacio
Uruguay

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Horacio Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

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1468. Re: Degen DE1103 arrives in Panama

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-01 20:44:06 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1464 Message: 1468

Thank you Horacio!!!!!

That is a nice job for to morrow..
See also files area:
1103extended.txt
Ramant.jpg (230-1660 kHz antenna)

Reg.: jan

1469. RE: [de1103] Re: Degen DE1103 arrives in Panama

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-02 00:19:33 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1464 Message: 1469

Yes, the 1103extended.txt explains it better.

Horacio

legonedijk <legonedijk@...> escribi?:

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1470. Avia & 2m bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-14 11:27:08 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1470 Message: 1470

Hello evryone!
There are some interesting things on the www.radioscanner.ru (Russian web site)
1103 has mirror channel about from 112Mhz to 148Mhz.
So, if you install a mirror pre-amplifier with band pass filter, you will able to receive Avia band and radiohams in 144-146Mhz, though 1103 has AM detector only. AM detector excellent recieve FM modulation.
You can also improve sensitivity main channel 0.1-30Mhz, magnetic antenna and make standart 50Ohm impedance for the external antennas connector.

1471. RE: [de1103] Avia & 2m bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-14 12:58:54 UTC
From: Dominique Kremp
Topic: 1470 Message: 1471

Hi,
Good news indeed, thanks for the information.
It's just a pity this russian site only speaks ... russian and there is no information in another language !
I found on www.radioscanner.ru some months ago very interesting pages in English concerning DE1103 modifications but I can't find them any more.
If somebody has any information how to get the English version, it would be kind to drop a line to the group !
Thanks in advance

Dominique
from Normandy/France

-----Message d'origine-----
De : de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] De la part de wind_nv
Envoyé : vendredi 14 mars 2008 12:27
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1472. Re: Avia & 2m bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-14 14:41:50 UTC
From: finvkr
Topic: 1470 Message: 1472

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Translates also from Russian to English

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1473. RE: [de1103] Re: Avia & 2m bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-14 15:16:56 UTC
From: Dominique Kremp
Topic: 1470 Message: 1473

Thanks for the help, but most of the time such translations are
ununderstanable and nothing but rubbish !
Try yourself and see what you get !
Thanks again

Dominique
from Normandy/France

-----Message d'origine-----
De : de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] De la part de
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1474. Re: Avia & 2m bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-15 15:51:49 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1470 Message: 1474

The scheme of the amplifier:
http://www.radioscanner.ru/uploader/2007/preamp4de1103i.gif

Author of the idea is ats52 that is member of
the www.radioscanner.ru

TV1 is like:
http://www.radioscanner.ru/uploader/2007/wba1.gif

1-2 =5 turns
3-4= 11-19
5-6=1

The ferrite ring has u=400. May be 400-1000.

VT1 is similar to the BFR93A

View inside:
http://www.radioscanner.ru/uploader/2008/avia_144.jpg
http://www.radioscanner.ru/uploader/2008/knopka_de1103.jpg

The schem of the install:
http://www.radioscanner.ru/uploader/2008/input_de1103mod.jpg

 Note: Output SA1 has to connect to transfomer (B1) of
mixer after(!) C134.
See the schem of 1103:
http://www.radioscanner.ru/files/degen/
Degen DE1103 - ... (main board)

You should also expand a range of frequencies.
for >30MHz :

1. Turn on the receiver and tune its on 21951 kHz (2-1-9-5-1-
«BAND+»).
2. Press simultaneously two buttons: «BAND-» and "BAND" until the
moment of the beginning of scanning downwards on frequency.
3. Stop scanning by pressing of any button, then press button " BAND "
and keep it until the beginning of scanning upwards on frequency.
4. Wait until frequency is above 29950 êÃö and stop scanning.
Write down frequency of a stop in any cell of memory.
5. Select the written down cell of memory by button " M/F " and pass in
a mode of manual tuning by repeated pressing of this button. On the
display there will be a frequency written down earlier, and an
inscription «MEM» in the right part of the display will be
replaced on «VOL».
6. Start scanning upwards on frequency pressing and holding of button "

BAND ". Scanning will pass a boundary of 30 MHz (indications on the display will become type like «b0000» where the first symbol ☐ the turned letter). Attention: it is necessary to have time to stop scanning on indications of the display between «b0001» and «b0009» (30.001-30.009 MHz).
7. Now by encoder it is possible to tune above up to 40Mhz. After a stop of scanning tune by encoder on any frequency above «b0010» and write down it in a cell of memory for the future use.

For example, 33860 MHz seems as b3860.
Mirror frequency is 33860 + 55845 (intermediate frequency) *2 = 145.550 MHz.

My experience:
...planes on a distance up to 200 km,
VO-52 sattelit 145.9 Mhz.
(It has been used external antenna)

With the best regards from Russia and sorry for my English. :)
73!

1475. Differences between older and newer DE1103 models

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-15 20:31:30 UTC
From: texnote
Topic: 1475 Message: 1475

See
http://www.5bcl.com/Article/Class1/200803/2213.html

You can use Google to translate and get an idea of the differences.

1476. New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-16 06:31:59 UTC
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343 Message: 1476

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the de1103
group.

File : /DE1103Sensitivity.jpg
Uploaded by : knyuen88 <knyuen88@...>
Description : Sensitivity_New vs Old

You can access this file at the URL:
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To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/l/us/yahoo/groups/original/members/web/index.htmlfiles

Regards,

knyuen88 <knyuen88@...>

1477. Re: Differences between older and newer DE1103 models

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-16 06:39:00 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1475 Message: 1477

Please also see the newly downloaded DE1103Sensitivity.jpg(in the FILES folder) for comparision.

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> http://www.5bcl.com/Article/Class1/200803/2213.html
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1478. One more carrying case

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-16 19:26:57 UTC
From: olefrijole
Topic: 1478 Message: 1478

Saw the previous posts on the carrying case from Ebay liypn. This after I went to Walmart on Saturday (I got the radio on Wednesday) and bought a camcorder bag made by Caselogic. The main compartment has an adjustable partition, is just the right size to keep the radio upright and allows me to close the case with the whip extended. Why? I like to listen to EWTN in sleep mode at bedtime (you'd think I'd get a nightstand). I tune in, set it to sleep mode, lock the control panel, plug in the earphones and set the case down on the floor by the bed.

The padded case has extra pockets which accomodate the manual & quick-ref guide, the AC adaptor and the MP3 player I won at work. One thing I noticed about the '1103 is that:

--it does fit in the front pocket of my workpants,
--carrying it by the included strap is unwieldy,
--when I hold the radio I find my fingers on the back and my thumb pressing on the large LCD display.

Joe

1479. Re: Avia & 2m bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-17 06:55:22 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1470 Message: 1479

> You can also improve sensitivity main channel 0.1-30Mhz, magnetic
> antenna and make standart 50Ohm impedance for the external
antennas
> connector.

50 Ohm impedance.

Last DEGEN's versions (MKIV) have an external connector that switches
the telescopic antenna and an external antenna to the input of the Q1
amplifier.
It is not good. External antennas often overload the Q1.
So...
First, it is necessary to change an ext antenna input as it was in
old versions. See de1103_main.jpg in files.
For example:
http://www.radioscanner.ru/info/radio/degen2/014.jpg
http://www.radioscanner.ru/info/radio/degen2/015.jpg
and remove C1 on the board.

After that, install R=200 Ohm to B1 (mixer) between G input of the
Q7 and Q8.
It can result to loss of sensitivity.
But, It can result to low noise.
The sensitivity can be improved by the way installation of an
additional transformer between the pass filter and B1 (between
L110,C132,C134 and B1).
The transformer has 10 turns laid in three wires on a ferrite ring
with u=400-600. The schematic:
http://www.radioscanner.ru/uploader/2007/trr_degen1103.jpg
1 - input (from L110,C132,C134, see de1103_main.jpg in files)
2 - to ground.
3 - output to B1 1:2
4 - output to B1 1:3
If it is used out 1:2, then it is necessary to install R=1 kOhm to B1
between G Q7, Q8.
If 1:3, then R=1.8 kOhm
.. because, the transformer transforms impedance.

Input impedance will be 50 Ohm.

1480. Re: Avia & 2m bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-17 08:04:10 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1470 Message: 1480

> You can also improve sensitivity main channel 0.1-30Mhz, magnetic
> antenna and

Magnetic antenna.

If it has been installed a resistor to mixer (see my previous post),
it should be installed an emitter follower after the MA amplifier Q14.

1. Remove D2.
2. Take any hf n-p-n transistor.
3. "Base" pin of the transistor connect to the output MA ampl. (where
was anode of the D2)
3. "emitter" to R111,D3,C107 (where was D2 cathode).
4. "collector" - to "cold" pin of L107,R107,C of Q3.
5. The transistor is set on side of the details in place D2

1481. Re: New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-17 10:44:23 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 343 Message: 1481

A few questions if I may:

First, what is the significance of the Radio Scanner column?

Also, what is the source of this info? It would appear the newer unit is less sensitive at lower frequencies (higher numbers) but more sensitive at higher frequencies. Is this the result of an actual design change or just a differnce in alignment or performance of two specific units tested?

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1482. Fwd: ANOTHER INFO ABOUT THE RADIO

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-17 17:56:53 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1482 Message: 1482

--- In Satellit-750@yahoogroups.com, "Carlos Vargas Vidal"
<vargasvidal@...> wrote:

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Sangean
ATS 909

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in a month or, it will be definitively to improve.

--- End forwarded message ---

1483. Re: Fwd: ANOTHER INFO ABOUT THE RADIO

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-17 18:21:31 UTC
From: texnote
Topic: 1482 Message: 1483

Considering that the DX-398 and ATS-909 are identical radios, I wouldn't put any credibility to the so called rankings below by the radio hobbyist from China ... Furthermore I have a hard time believing that the Degen DE1103 performs worse than the DX-398/ATS-909 on shortwave.

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1484. Re: New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-17 18:25:58 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 343 Message: 1484

> First, what is the significance of the Radio Scanner column?
>
Not sure but my interpretation is when switched the DE1103 to the Radio Scanner mode(automatic station searching mode) we need stronger signals to "locked/stored them" to the memories. (i.e. This column is therefore shown less sensitive)

> Also, what is the source of this info?
Sorts of the Russian translation as memtioned by someone in this forum.

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> is less sensitive at lower frequencies (higher numbers) but more
> sensitive at higher frequencies. Is this the result of an actual
> design change or just a differnce in alignment or performance of
two > specific units tested?

Again not sure but likely some components values(the band pass filter front ends) changed and peaked the freq at the higher freq.

> In ohter words, can we rely on this info to apply to ALL old versus
> new units or night it be only a smaple difference?

Not necessarily --- This Russian website is sorts of QST/e_Ham websites and should not be related. Am a DE1103 2006 model happy owner and not in a position to verify if these data is reliable. Use you own judgement nevertheless but I hope others can verify.

PS Again, a lab test result under controlled conditions may not garantee if those New or the Old models are better or worse in the REAL worlds.

--- Your milage may VARY ! Hope this helps.

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1485. Re: Fwd: ANOTHER INFO ABOUT THE RADIO

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-18 00:37:04 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1482 Message: 1485

I agree. I own both a DX-398 and a KA1103. I think the DX-398/ATS-909 is very much overrated if using the built-in antennas only. However if you use external antennas it becomes a nice radio, but not as good as my KA1103, which I am very happy with.

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1486. Recharge time help wanted

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-20 04:04:48 UTC
From: olefrijole
Topic: 1486 Message: 1486

I received the KA1103 last week and recharged for the first time. With the supplied green batteries I figured 11 hours to recharge based on the manual's calculation (1100 mAh at 100 mA).

Is this typical for this type battery?

Would I be better off using alkalines?

Can I use a recharge unit from WalMart?

Your help appreciated.

Joe

1487. RE: [de1103] Recharge time help wanted

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-20 05:14:05 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1486 Message: 1487

Yes you are correct on both. Mine came with 1300Ma.

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of olefrijole
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 12:05 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Recharge time help wanted

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1488. Re: Recharge time help wanted

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-20 05:21:24 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1486 Message: 1488

If you think that's bad my Eton E10 came with 1100mah. If I'd paid full price ($130) I'd have been unhappy. However I got a refurb for $30 so that didn't bother me too much. The E10 is not worth $130. No SSB!! For $20 more you can get a E5/G5.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
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1489. Re: [de1103] Recharge time help wanted

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-20 04:12:12 UTC
From: Aluizio Antonio dos Santos
Topic: 1486 Message: 1489

You should use a recharge unit from WalMart to save your radio circuit!!!!!!!!

----- Original Message -----
From: olefrijole
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 1:04 AM
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1490. Re: Recharge time help wanted

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-20 14:04:39 UTC
From: olefrijole
Topic: 1486 Message: 1490

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Aluizio Antonio dos Santos"
<aluiziosantos@...> wrote:
>
> You should use a recharge unit from WalMart to save your radio
circuit!!!!!!!!
>
Thanks.

This morning while waiting for a new tire installation I saw some nice
units by

Duracell® and Energizer® with larger capacity AA cells.

Joe

1491. Re: Recharge time help wanted

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-20 14:14:50 UTC
From: Travers
Topic: 1486 Message: 1491

I gave up on my little green batteries, have been using alkalines
or a outside battery/charger set. No problems since :)

Travers
http://radiotravers.blogspot.com

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1492. DEGEN UNTIL NOW...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-21 07:48:53 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1492 Message: 1492

Hello, everybody,

I have the Degen DE1103 for about 3 weeks. It is working Ok in FM, AM and SW. I have not tested the LW band.

I catched a station from New York (Radio Edición Cristiana Internacional)located at 530 Khz. It was clear enough to understand everything I heard. I also catched Radio Rebelde from Cuba at 600 Khz and Radio Progreso from the same country at 690 Khz. I will find out how strong they are. It is easier to catch station from my neighbor country Colombia, but they are, mostly, weak stations. Low power.

I think my biggest catch in shortwave was Radio Prague at 7,345 Khz and only 100 kW. There was a parallel broadcasting at 6,200 Khz. All of these stations were listened after 8:00 p.m. my local time. Or 0100 UTC.

I have been using a small inverted L antenna. Only 15 feet. With the same type of wire as lead-in and without any antenna tunner, except a kind of an old preselector and amplifier from Radio Shack. It dit helped a great deal. But I noticed I was picking up all kind of noise, no intermodulation.

Today I decided to use my old, but in very good condition, RadioMaster P-30 antenna. I did not use it before because it ends with a PL-259 plug. The antenna is working much better than the inverted L antenna, in spite that both have almost the same siza. But this antenna has a coaxial line as lead-in. It also has a matching transformer that ensures 50 Ohms impedance. The noise has been reduced, I guess, to the normal condition. I bought this antenna from Universal Radio. It is in stock but it is a little more expensive.

I bought a cheap (can not afford more for the moment) chinese battery charger for NiHm. It has an output of 240 mAmp. I still use the green batteries and four other from China, Tecman, 1800 mAh. They cost me $2 apice in a local chinese electronics. I noticed that one of the battery was exausted so I returned. I charged them and used them. But I noticed that one of the batteries was below 1.0 volts. So I charged it for 3 "seconds" using a 12 volts adapter. The voltage went up to above 1.0 volts. This means that the battery is OK and can be used. I learned that from Internet. I can upload the file. There is also a web page that deals with batteries in a very good way. That is complete.

I used the same formula from the manual to charge the batteries. But I always got a little more than 1.2 volts in each unit. So, I am using a new formula found somewhere else. It multiplies the result of the first formula by 1.5, and I get more voltage, around 1.3 volts. But, I am still unhappy. I just can listen the radio for about 4 hours. There is

no doubt that one must buy good quality batteries, but they are very expensive here. And they will be much more expensive if I bring them from USA to Panama. I would like to know what is the voltage you get after charging the batteries. The green ones and the chinese ones shows 1.2 volts on the label.

I did the mod suggested lately by the good friend Horacio. That is, goind down to below 100 Khz and stop somewhere there and store that frequency. But I have not noticed any increase in sensitivity. Can anybody explain to me a little more about this? Well, thanks so much to all of you and happy Easter.

Carlos

Sorry for my bad english

1493. Re: DEGEN UNTIL NOW...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-21 18:57:31 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1492 Message: 1493

Did you use an external antenna to pick up New York stations in the MW band and where are you located? (somewhere in South America ?)
Please beware if you hooked up the DE1103 with any outdoor antenna Thunderstorms/lightenings may ruin/BURN your DE1103 frontend (please review others inputs in this forum for details.)
Regards.

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1494. Re: DEGEN UNTIL NOW...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-21 19:32:49 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1492 Message: 1494

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1495. Re: DEGEN UNTIL NOW...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-21 19:56:39 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1492 Message: 1495

In the first place I also checked no such station (or any other New York stations is operating on this freq. --- all stations started from 540 not 530Khz) in New York.
Now the mysteries resolved ! Thanks nevertheless.

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1496. Re: [de1103] Re: DEGEN UNTIL NOW...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-22 12:58:42 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn)
Topic: 1492 Message: 1496

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1497. Re: DEGEN UNTIL NOW...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-22 22:31:44 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1492 Message: 1497

Yes, amigo Paul, it is a relay station. I had the intention to write to Knyuen88 before to let him know that I heard the station again this morning (several times). When it was 6:00 a.m. local (Panama - EST) time an announcer said: (in spanish) "This Radio Visión Cristiana Internacional. It is 6:00 o'clock in the morning IN NEW YORK. Our station is WVIP, etc." I could not catch the rest. But he mentioned other stations in different places.

I was so happy when I heard it for the first time because the station mentioned several places in New York for Bible Gathering. And the names: Queens, Bronx and Brooklyn were very familiar to me.

After receiving the email from Knyuen88 I searched the station in Internet. It is in the following address: www.radiovision.net

The information is in spanish. I do not know if there is an english page (probably no, because the station broadcasts in spanish). Under programs it says: "WVIP 1310 AM Mount Kisco, New York. 530 AM Turks & Caicos <Caribe>". So, it is, in fact, a relay station.

Thanks for the advise about the AM Antenna. I have that in my dreams for the moment. In the mean time, I am catching many am stations using my RadioMaster P-30 Broadband Antenna.

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1498. Re: [de1103] Recharge time help wanted

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-23 18:06:34 UTC
From: sakr koreish
Topic: 1486 Message: 1498

olefrijole <kd5czm@...> wrote: I received the KA1103 last week and recharged for the first time. With the supplied green batteries I figured 11 hours to recharge based on the manual's calculation (1100 mAh at 100 mA).
Is this typical for this type battery?
Would I be better off using alkalines?
Can I use a recharge unit from WalMart?

Your help appreciated.

Joe

hi joe
you can charge the batteries for 13 hours by the radio. but this may shorten the battery life because one or more battery may be overcharged. I recommend that you may buy a smart charger that charge each battery seperately and stop charging the indiviual battery automaticaly when it is charged cmpletly.you may buy sanyo eneloop charger that charge 4 batteries but it woks only with 110 v ac the other sanyo charger that works with 110 v ac or 220 v ac does not charge batteries seperately .

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1499. Re: DEGEN UNTIL NOW...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-23 19:03:31 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1492 Message: 1499

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But, when you do mode below 100kHz, then listen to LW/MW, the magnetic antenna is turned off and the telescopic antenna is turned on. (For more details, see the schematic diagram).
So, sometimes it might be better sensitivity in LW/MW, sometimes no. It depends on different conditions.

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..the same. :)

Good luck!

1500. Re: [de1103] Re: DEGEN UNTIL NOW...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-23 22:15:46 UTC
From: frarig@tiscali.it
Topic: 1492 Message: 1500

Hello everyone,
Carlos Hello, sorry for what is the amendment to increase sensibity of 1103? Someone made the change for the 144 MHZ Band ham and Avio? Many thanks
GD HRD ES 73

Francis _____Tiscali.Fax: ricevi gratis sulla tua email e invii a 12 cent per pagina senza scatto alla risposta

1501. Pillow Speaker

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-30 03:35:15 UTC
From: olefrijole
Topic: 1501 Message: 1501

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If you use a pillow speaker, what brand/model/type do you have? How well did it work for you?

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1502. RE: [de1103] Pillow Speaker

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-03-30 04:07:33 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1501 Message: 1502

I had one from sharper image that just died. I was thinking the padded one from CCrane would be nice. Sangean also makes another one. They are a must I think. Josh

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of olefrijole
Sent: Saturday, March 29, 2008 11:35 PM
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1503. Kaito KA1103 arrived

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-02 00:38:12 UTC
From: bob_bald1
Topic: 1503 Message: 1503

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1504. RE: [de1103] Kaito KA1103 arrived

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-02 07:24:31 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1503 Message: 1504

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From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of bob_bald1
Sent: Tuesday, April 01, 2008 8:38 PM
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1505. (no subject)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-03 00:20:49 UTC
From: w2bej@juno.com
Topic: 1505 Message: 1505

Where is the serial number located on the KA-1103 ????

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Forget the annoying phone calls - Use a Collection Service. Click here.
http://thirdpartyoffers.juno.com/TGL2121/fc/REAK6aAYRZRuquP6Fsikx18I3w2uVzlbpNfuLesuL7suNGhUXpYdsy/

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Date: 2008-04-03 00:37:53 UTC
From: bob_bald1
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> was S/N AI 057xxx. Now I didn't open things up so I don't know what
> markings are on the circuit boards.
>
> I'm exploring the features and setting things up (clock, etc) and
> intend to do some BCB AM DXing with it this evening. More to follow.
>
> --Bob
> KCA6XS
>

I did some AM DXing last night both bareback and with a CCrane twin coil ferrite. Results were quite good, generally comparable to my FRG-7. My ICF-SW77 is being repaired and won't be available for comparison for 4-6 weeks. I will say that I like the backlight (the Sony goes off automatically with no provisions to keep it on) and the combi digi-analog tuning dial. I do miss the sync detector and tone controls of the Sony. The KA1103 speaker's audio quality isn't the best. Once I set the volume to a more comfortable level it retains that setting. I had misunderstood and thought it would default to "40" ever time I turned it on ...not so thankfully. The range of each individual band is somewaht confusing as the scan function covers less than the band limits. For example if you want to go to LF you can punch in 100kHz in the AM band and go there. But normal band scanning will stop at 530kHz for the low limit. I'm still breaking the code as to what the "real" ranges are for each band. I wish there were a ready reference :(

--Bob

1507. Its in the battery compartment

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-03 00:38:45 UTC
From: bob_bald1
Topic: 1505 Message: 1507

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "w2bej@..." <W2BEJ@...> wrote:
>
> Where is the serial number located on the KA-1103 ????
> _____
> Forget the annoying phone calls - Use a Collection Service. Click here.
>
http://thirdpartyoffers.juno.com/TGL2121/fc/REAK6aAYRZRuquP6Fsikx18I3w2uVzlbpNfuLesuL7suNGhUXpYdsy/
>

Its in the battery compartment

1508. First "issue"

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-03 12:53:01 UTC
From: bob_bald1
Topic: 1503 Message: 1508

When I checked the UPS tracking information and knew which day the KA1103 would be delivered, that morning I charged up a fresh set of NiMh AA batteries.

Last night they died. I have been using the radio a lot but with the AC adapter plugged in most of the time. Duh. After some quick checking I found the adapter is a dud. Dead. Doesn't do squat. A Sony I had on hand with the proper specs worked with the KA1103 just fine, confirming the prognosis.

So I've e-mailed radios4you and await their response. I also have the unit registered with Kaito USA for warranty. We'll see....

--Bob

1509. Re: First "issue"

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-03 23:31:03 UTC
From: bob_bald1
Topic: 1503 Message: 1509

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "bob_bald1" <bald1@...> wrote:
>
> When I checked the UPS tracking information and knew which day the
> KA1103 would be delivered, that morning I charged up a fresh set of
> NiMh AA batteries.
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> Last night they died. I have been using the radio a lot but with
> the AC adapter plugged in most of the time. Duh. After some quick
> checking I found the adapter is a dud. Dead. Doesn't do squat. A
> Sony I had on hand with the proper specs worked with the KA1103 just
> fine, confirming the prognosis.
>
> So I've e-mailed radios4you and await their response. I also have
> the unit registered with Kaito USA for warranty. We'll see....
>
> --Bob
>

I did receive replies that indicated the issue would be resolved but
my son also came up with a spare wall wart of the proper configuration
so the issue is now moot.

1510. Re: First "issue"

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-04 00:25:39 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 1503 Message: 1510

I have had my Degen DE1103 for over two years now, and I avoid using an AC adapter. I've found that even with the correct adapter settings, the LCD display seems to overload. I have the identical problem with the DE11107 model time display. With NiMH batteries I have no problems what so ever.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "bob_bald1" <bald1@...> wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "bob_bald1" <bald1@> wrote:
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> > When I checked the UPS tracking information and knew which day the
> > KA1103 would be delivered, that morning I charged up a fresh set of
> > NiMh AA batteries.
> >
> > Last night they died. I have been using the radio a lot but with
> > the AC adapter plugged in most of the time. Duh. After some quick
> > checking I found the adapter is a dud. Dead. Doesn't do squat. A
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> > fine, confirming the prognosis.
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> > the unit registered with Kaito USA for warranty. We'll see....
> >
> > --Bob
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> I did receive replies that indicated the issue would be resolved but
> my son also came up with a spare wall wart of the proper configuration
> so the issue is now moot.
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1511. Re: First "issue"

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-04 00:50:30 UTC
From: bob_bald1
Topic: 1503 Message: 1511

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nash" <nash2042004@...> wrote:
>
> I have had my Degen DE1103 for over two years now, and I avoid using
> an AC adapter. I've found that even with the correct adapter
> settings, the LCD display seems to overload. I have the identical
> problem with the DE11107 model time display. With NiMH batteries I
> have no problems what so ever.
>
>
Nash,

That's probably very sound advice. I just wanted the adapter
available for situations like I described in my opening post. Guess
I'll need to keep a charged back up set of NiMhs on hand:)

--Bob

1512. Re: First "issue"

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-04 00:51:51 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1503 Message: 1512

I'm had my Kaito KA1103 for nine months and only use the AC adapter to charge the batteries. I'm amazed how long the 1300 mah batteries last.

I was surprised when I bought another radio that comes with even lower capacity batteries; an Eton E10. It comes with 1100 mah batteries, which weren't charged enough (.60 volts) to power the radio and the radio wouldn't charge them. I charged them in an external charger and haven't had any further battery problems. The E10 is not worth the list price of $130.00 but I got a refurb for $30.00. It has no SSB but has a very clever IF shift that allows you to move an image off something you're trying to listen to. It has surprisingly few images for a single conversion radio.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nash" <nash2042004@...> wrote:
>
> I have had my Degen DE1103 for over two years now, and I avoid using
> an AC adapter. I've found that even with the correct adapter
> settings, the LCD display seems to overload. I have the identical
> problem with the DE11107 model time display. With NiMH batteries I
> have no problems what so ever.

1513. Re: First "issue"

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-08 21:13:35 UTC
From: bob_bald1
Topic: 1503 Message: 1513

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "bob_bald1" <bald1@...> wrote:
>
> After some quick checking I found the adapter is a dud. Dead.
> Doesn't do squat. A Sony I had on hand with the proper specs worked
> with the KA1103 just fine, confirming the prognosis.
>
> So I've e-mailed radios4you and await their response. I also have
> the unit registered with Kaito USA for warranty. We'll see....
>
> --Bob
>

Great service from radios4you....a working replacement adapter arrived
by USPS today.

1514. Tests and questions...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-09 08:14:14 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 1514 Message: 1514

Hi all!

Some tests and modifications and also some questions:

I tested some modification in my DE1103. Sorry my english, I learnt
english 25y
ago.

1/ FM IF filters: better selectivity: you can use other filters, 10,
7HY and 10,
7JA (110 and 150kHz wide). (or two 10,7HY but here is "stereo" narrow
!)

2/ fast AGC: remove 10uF capacitor and use 1uF - it is better!

(see http://www.radioscanner.ru/info/radio/degen2.php but only in
russian
language! direct: http://www.radioscanner.ru/info/radio/degen2/037.jpg
)

And question:

1/ do you know usable SMD JFET for telescop preamplifier which I can
buy in
Europe?

2/ I heard about BF861B and 2SK544 (not SMD), but I didnt heard about
results
with those transistors (?) For instance: can I heard (after change)
VLW, LW and
MW stations via telescope antenna again? Do you know anybody datasheet
of
original JFET in DE1103???

3/ I heard about "two diodes" as protection against electrostatic
charge in
external input. Do you use the same also for telescope antenna?

4/ my friend say, that diodes are very slow, and that small 60 Volt
neon bulbe
is better, what dou you mean about it?

5/ for information: other my friend destroyed input parts in DE1103
this way:
he has one hand at telescope antenna and second hand at connector to
external
input with longwire antenna...

6/ I think that original power supply/charger is not very good, many disturbances from 220V AC net! Did you tested other?

7/ Also "charging" is very poor and slow. Better is if you use other external
accu charger and NOT charging in DE1103! Your DE1103 say, that accu are FULL,
but radio work 3 hours... if you use for your accu other fast charger, radio
work 15 hours...

(But some modification for higher current is also at
http://www.radioscanner.ru/info/radio/degen2/046.jpg - did you tested it?)

8/ NiMH... I feel that NIMH has very strange discharge characteristics and we
cannot use all capacitance of NiMH! (Voltage go very fast down - under usable
voltage for DE1103) Maybe will be better NiCd with lesser capacitance but
better characteristics? Did you tested it?

Best regards, Jara "Rat""

1515. Re: First "issue"

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-09 08:16:35 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1503 Message: 1515

Bob, good for you. I am glad to hear that news.

My adapter is Ktech, Model KA11R080025033N, Input: 110V AC 60Hz,
Output: 8V DC "250" mA.

I tested the adapter I bought from Radio Shack (filtered and regulated)
locally which has 6V and 300mA. I did not find any difference with
respect to hum noises. In fact, I did not hear anything about it in
both adapter, but for sure, I will not use the Radio Shack adapter
anymore. I just will follow the advise of the manual.

Another thing, Bob, I noticed that I have more rf gain when using the
adapter. It could be that the batteries are getting exhausted. But it
is a good thing to have the radio working properly all time.

I heard yesterday night a station from Cali, Colombia, on medium wave,
around 620 kHz. It was clear although it was not so strong. Cali is
2000 miles away from Panamá, the capital city. It was (and of course,
it is so nowadays) easy to hear stations from Bogotá, Barranquilla and
Medellín. Especially from Barranquilla which is a costal city, near
Panamá. Well, the radio is doing a good job for me.

Greetings, Carlos

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "bob_bald1" <bald1@...> wrote:
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> > with the KA1103 just fine, confirming the prognosis.
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> > the unit registered with Kaito USA for warranty. We'll see....
> >
> > --Bob
> >
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>
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> by USPS today.
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1516. Re: Tests and questions...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-09 16:17:27 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1514 Message: 1516

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Jara" <krysatec@...> wrote:

Hello!

>
> 2/ fast AGC: remove 10uF capacitor and use 1uF - it is better!
>
> (see http://www.radioscanner.ru/info/radio/degen2.php but only in
> russian
> language!

There are also else some interesting things there.
And, you also can see my topic below about Avia band and others.

> And question:
>
> 1/ do you know usable SMD JFET for telescop preamplifier which I
can
> buy in
> Europe?

BF998. 2 parallel transistors. second gate connect to drain.

> 2/ I heard about BF861B and 2SK544 (not SMD), but I didnt heard
about
> results
> with those transistors (?)

2xBF998 are better.

> For instance: can I heard (after change)
> VLW, LW and
> MW stations via telescope antenna again?

The same :)

>Do you know anybody datasheet
> of
> original JFET in DE1103???

It is 2SK2394.
You can download on -
http://www.pdfsearch.ru/showpdf-14402-2SK2394.htm

>
> 3/ I heard about "two diodes" as protection against electrostatic
> charge in
> external input. Do you use the same also for telescope antenna?

The external input in last versions DE1103 (IV) switches either an external antenna or the telescopic (that is not good). So, those diods always protect input of the amplifier.

>
> 4/ my friend say, that diodes are very slow, and that small 60 Volt
> neon bulbe
> is better, what dou you mean about it?

I dont agree. You can use 1N4148 diodes, for example.

>
> 5/ for information: other my friend destroyed input parts in DE1103
> this way:
> he has one hand at telescope antenna and second hand at connector
to
> external
> input with longwire antenna...

I destroyed my degen by vacuuming.)))

>
> 6/ I think that original power supply/charger is not very good,
many
> disturbances from 220V AC net! Did you tested other?

You can increase charge current.
Look at http://www.radioscanner.ru/info/radio/degen2/046.jpg
remove ¹2.
short ¹1.
The charge current becames about 205 mA instead 85mA earlier.
The original power adapter is NOT charger. It is simply adapter, voltage supply.

>
> 7/ Also "charging" is very poor and slow. Better is if you use
other
> external
> accu charger and NOT charging in DE1103!

I agree.

Your DE1103 say, that accu
> are FULL,

I always use a formula:
time of charge = (Accu capacity/charge current) + 5 hours.
So, if you charge your accu by DE1103, then charge at least 11 hours.

> but radio work 3 hours... if you use for your accu other fast
charger,
> radio
> work 15 hours...
>

> (But some modification for higher current is also at
> http://www.radioscanner.ru/info/radio/degen2/046.jpg - did you
tested
> it?)

I didn't. Because, I use external charger.

Good luck!

1518. Re: Tests and questions...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-09 16:34:59 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1514 Message: 1518

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Jara" <krysatec@...> wrote:
>
> Hi all!
>
> Some tests and modifications and also some questions:
>
>
> I tested some modification in my DE1103.

Some Russian radio amateurs are going to change the default display, CPU and PLL synthesizer.
They are going to show - frequency, signal spectrum, other services. also, to change step of frequency tuning (10Hz), decode RTTY, CW and other. :)
You can see examples - http://www.radioscanner.ru/forum/index.php?action=vthread&forum=1&topic=13752&page=181

:))

1519. SW Preselector?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-11 05:18:00 UTC
From: benjamesjohnson
Topic: 1519 Message: 1519

I have a problem with terrible heterodyne whistling on my KA1103. It seems on the 30m band and above the whistling can get so bad, that I can barely hear the transmission. It seems to get worse during the summer months. To avoid the whistling problem I usually stay to in the 75m band but these means I can pick up ham QSOs, but I miss out on the SW broadcasters in the higher bands.

I was wondering if using something like the MFJ-956 SW Preselector would reduce this, or solve the problem?

If it would work, I normally use either a Sangean ANT-60 reel antenna or a Sony AN-LP1 Loop Antenna, both which use miniplugs, however the MFJ-956 has SO-239 connectors.
Is there a way of hooking these up together?

Would these antennas be matched to the preselector.

Thanks for any information on this.

1520. Re: SW Preselector?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-11 10:35:35 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 1519 Message: 1520

Hi,

you can built your home made active preselector....

http://krysatec.benghi.org/phprs/images/200703061018_newpreselektor.jpg

http://krysatec.benghi.org/phprs/images/200703060102_pres1.jpg

but here is better if you use other coils (SMCC) for 50kHz to 30MHz bands: 0,75uH 2.2uH 6.8uH 33uH 68uH 150uH 470uH 3,3mH and 22mH

(0.75uH is two 1,5uH paralell)

Best regards, Jara "Rat"

1521. Re: SW Preselector?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-11 18:20:13 UTC
From: benjamesjohnson
Topic: 1519 Message: 1521

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Jara" <krysatec@...> wrote:
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> Hi,
>
> you can built your home made active preselector....
>
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> jpg
>
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> but here is better if you use other coils (SMCC) for 50kHz to 30MHz
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>
>
> (0.75uH is two 1,5uH paralell)
>
> Best regards, Jara "Rat"
>

Thanks for the schematics, but I'm don't have any experience in building electronic equipment. I would probably burn up the components trying to solder them, or short something out.

If there is no reasonably priced SW preselector available for my needs, then I might be forced to try building one, but I'm trying to avoid it.

Are there any commercially available SW preselectors for sale? I checked briefly on the internet but the only one I found was the MFJ-956.

1522. Re: SW Preselector?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-12 04:49:22 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1519 Message: 1522

Hello, benjamesjohnson,

If you have a tuned antenna you do not need a tunable preamp antenna (as the one made by Ameco). With a tuned antenna you will have a better connection with your radio, minimum signal loss. Most table top receiver use a balanced (tuned antenna). Although those receiver also have an external antenna for unbalanced devices.

Most portable radio have an external antenna input for unbalanced devices such as the Degen DE1103. So, an antenna tuner is not really needed. A preselector, on the contrary, is of much more help. It eliminates o reduces outside signals from the band you are listening.

I am using with great success an Amplified Shortwave Antenna from Radio Shack (#020-280). Unfortunately, it is not for sales anymore. It has a preselector and rf gain knob to increase the signal picked up by the external antenna (this appliance also has an internal vertical antenna, but I do not use it. The radio already has an amplified telescopic antenna). There are two good reasons I use this device. The external antenna input of DE1103 does not benefit from the amplified signal used by the internal antenna or stick, about 10 dB. So I recuperate the amplified signal using the rf gain knob of the appliance. The manual indicates some 20 dB gain but I am not sure about it. But, yes, it does amplify the signal. Second, the connection from the device to the radio has the same plug, 3.5mm.

Everything in life is not perfect. As my english, ja, ja. So you may get some noise out of these devices. But you can use batteries or an adapter plug to a good voltage regulator and line conditioner.

I am sure you can find other preselectors from other companies. Just take your time to look around in Internet. But it will be harder or more difficult to find one with the connections appropriate to the radio. But in Universal Radio you can find all kind of plugs. Then you can adapt a plug suitable to the radio as I have done before.

I am sorry I can not be of much more help to you but, at my age, I even forgot I was a licenced ham radio operator. And, of course, I also forgot many technical arguments.

Best regards, Carlos

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> internet but the only one I found was the MFJ-956.
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1523. Re: SW Preselector?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-12 06:30:14 UTC
From: benjamesjohnson
Topic: 1519 Message: 1523

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Carlos Vargas Vidal" <vargasvidal@...> wrote:
>
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> the amplified signal used by the internal antenna or stick, about 10
> dB. ....
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> take your time to look around in Internet. But it will be harder or
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> radio. But in Universal Radio you can find all kind of plugs. Then
> you can adapt a plug suitable to the radio as I have done before.
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>
> Best regards, Carlos
>

Thank you Carlos for your reply. I did not know that the KA1103 external antenna jack does not get amplified. I have always put the Local/DX switch into the DX position regardless of the antenna I used whether it be the built-in whip, my Sangean reel ANT-60, or my Sony AN-LP1.

Speaking of my Sony AN-LP1, I just realized that it does have a preselctor switch (http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/sw_ant/3676pre.jpg). I do not know if this means the AN-LP1 has a "SW preselector", so there would not need to buy a MFJ-956?

I have stopped using the Sony AN-LP1 (it supposedly is a good SW antenna based on reports), because I didn't notice a difference between it and my Sangean ANT-60 reel antenna. I also didn't notice when using the AN-LP1, if the heterodyne whistling was reduced or not.

I guess I can pull the AN-LP1 antenna out of storage and give it a second chance to see if it does any good (improved reception and whistling).

Thanks for giving me some hope in finding a manufacturer of a SW preselector. I just have to keep on looking.

1524. Re: SW Preselector?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-12 15:03:47 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1519 Message: 1524

It is so good to hear that I have been of some help.

I had the the Sony AN-1. It was not so good but it helped in certain bands or frequencies. It also depends in several factors: the radio and the kind of external antenna you are using. With the AN-1 (which is not rated as good as others, see eHam Net. But take care. Some persons downgrade things just for not so relevant aspects, also because it stopped to work. Many times it happens because they have not been careful about handling things, etc.)I used only the whip antenna it has. I had it in the window close to my desk. In fact, it was a kind of window sill antenna. Please, pardon my english.

The AN-LP1 is a Passport Choice (2008 Edition) and it is considered the best active (that means, it amplifies the signal) for most small portable radios. Now, in this moment, Degen produced another active antenna which is considered good.

A way to know if it has a preselector is to see if it has a band selector. Your can see that on the AN-LP1. There is no reason to have a band selector if it does not really discriminate signals from other bands. The review of Passport to World Band Radio states: "manual preselection: 3.9 to 4.3 and 4.7 to 25 MHz". So you have a preselector in a 2-3/4 stars antenna. You really do not need to spend more, unless you can and want to have more than one preselector. Do not forget that a preselection is better than having nothing. But it is not perfect. It may not carry in outside signals from the band you are listening but it will shows noises linked to that band. Also do not forget about manmade noises. I suggest you not to worry too much about the problems you may find. Try, instead, to learn more about radio listening. There are many good articles here and there. Then, you will know if you can or can not do something about those problems.

Well, you are OK with the Sony Antenna. I thought once to buy one when possible, but the only thing I regret if that it does not go below 3.9 MHz, down to MW. The same happens to my Radio Shack. I have to disconnect the outside antenna from the device when hearing AM broadcasting. It does not have a bypass to use it a simple, passive antenna with my little L inverted antenna.

I was forgetting the most important thing. Sorry. I have noticed that when I use the balanced antenna (Radio Master P30) my preselector does not amplify the signal enough. But when I use the unbalanced antenna (my 15 feet L inverted)I have very good gains in every band segments. An expert can tell you more about. You can find one on eHam and other places. Just ask the question. I do not worry about it. The good thing was that I found out that reality. And I am glad I did it.

It could be that the radio works better with unbalanced antennas. The proof is that it comes with a long wire you mention in your email, the same like the Sangeant, without the rolling wire storage.

Well, I think it is enough. Take care, Carlos

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> or my Sony AN-LP1.
>
> Speaking of my Sony AN-LP1, I just realized that it does have a preselctor switch (http://
> www.universal-radio.com/catalog/sw_ant/3676pre.jpg). I do not know if this means the
> AN-LP1 has a "SW preselector", so there would not need to buy a MFJ-956?
>
> I have stopped using the Sony AN-LP1 (it supposedly is a good SW antenna based on
> reports), because I didn't notice a difference between it and my Sangean ANT-60 reel
> antenna. I also didn't notice when using the AN-LP1, if the

heterodyne whistling was
> reduced or not.
>
> I guess I can pull the AN-LP1 antenna out of storage and give it a
second chance to see if
> it does any good (improved reception and whistling).
>
> Thanks for giving me some hope in finding a manufacturer of a SW
preselector. I just have
> to keep on looking.
>

1525. Re: SW Preselector?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-12 17:25:04 UTC
From: Greg Saunders
Topic: 1519 Message: 1525

If you are looking for a manufactured preselector (and while I greatly envy Jara's talents in putting one together himself!)...

Check out Ham/SW manufacturer MFJ. Specifically:

Amplified:
http://www.mfjenterprises.com/Product.php?productid=MFJ-1045C

Passive:
http://www.mfjenterprises.com/Product.php?productid=MFJ-956

...I can't vouch for the quality.

I typically consider MFJ to stand for Mighty Fine Junk, but for non-ham applications, you should be just fine!

Greg S

1526. Re: SW Preselector?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-12 18:06:46 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1519 Message: 1526

Needless to say the design of DE1103 is more shophisticated than all
such MFJ xxx. Is it worth to buy for such marginal improvement ?
(if there is any) ---- for the money paid you can buy another
DE1103 ! I am skeptical.

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1527. Re: SW Preselector?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-12 22:33:31 UTC
From: benjamesjohnson
Topic: 1519 Message: 1527

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Carlos Vargas Vidal" <vargasvidal@...> wrote:
>
> It is so good to hear that I have been of some help...
>
.... Your can see that on the AN-LP1. There is no reason to have
> a band selector if it does not really discriminate signals from other
> bands. The review of Passport to World Band Radio states: .... You really do not need to spend
> more, unless you can and want to have more than one preselector... I suggest you not to worry too much
> about the problems you may find. Try, instead, to learn more about
> radio listening. There are many good articles here and there. Then,
> you will know if you can or can not do something about those problems.... But when I use the unbalanced
> antenna (my 15 feet L inverted)I have very good gains in every band
> segments. An expert can tell you more about..... And I am glad I did it.
> It could be that the radio works better with unbalanced antennas. The
> proof is that it comes with a long wire you mention in your email,
> the same like the Sangeant, without the rolling wire storage.
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> Well, I think it is enough. Take care, Carlos
>

Carlos:

Thank you again for your insight to my problem. Based on what you mentioned I will find my Sony AN-LP1 and give it a try once more.

Your suggestion to learn more about SW listening and not worry so much about equipment is good advice. I will try to learn more about this hobby.

Also your insight to balanced vs. unbalanced antennas with the KA1103, is interesting. I will be looking into the inverted L antenna designs. This design sounds like something I might be able to make myself. I will search the internet for more info on the inverted L.

Thanks also to Greg for tracking down more MFJ SW preselector models that might work.

Finally one responder to my post mentioned the sanity of buying a MFJ preselector whose price almost equals the KA1103. Yes, I was thinking about that aspect and it didn't appeal to me. I know that having a good antenna is one of the most important things to have, but to over spend is not a good idea, either.

Thanks all for your responses.

BJJ

1528. Re: [de1103] Re: SW Preselector?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-13 00:22:15 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1519 Message: 1528

This thread reminds me of the Codar PR40 preselector I used to use with my Trio 9R59DS radio back in the early 70s. I still have the receiver and as far as I am aware, my brother still uses the preselector.

As far as the cost of the MFJ SW preselector is concerned, comparing the price of this against the KA/DE 1103 I think is hardly a good comparison when one considers the exceptionally low cost of the radio. This unit of course would work equally well with more expensive radios where the cost comparison would not be as great.

My main problem with the KA 1103 is not the lack of signal strength, it is being able to hear anything at all through the high noise levels generated by computers, Sky TV decoders and goodness knows what other noise generating devices my neighbours in the block of flats where I live are using.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "benjamesjohnson" <benjamesjohnson@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 13, 2008 10:33 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: SW Preselector?

> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Carlos Vargas Vidal" <vargasvidal@...>
> wrote:
>>
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> .... Your can see that on the AN-LP1. There is no reason to have
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> Thanks all for your responses.
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> BJJ
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1529. New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-13 06:24:08 UTC
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343 Message: 1529

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the de1103
group.

File : /preselector1.ZIP
Uploaded by : krysatec <krysatec@...>
Description : My active preselector (all in ZIP format!)

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/preselector1.ZIP

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/l/us/yahoo/groups/original/members/web/index.htmlfiles

Regards,

krysatec <krysatec@...>

1530. RE: [de1103] Re: SW Preselector?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-13 06:25:58 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1519 Message: 1530

I have a MFJ 1045c that really works when there is a lot of static crashes. I normally don't use it but comes in handy sometimes. Boosts gain as well. I use it mostly for my lesser sangeans. J

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of knyuen88
Sent: Saturday, April 12, 2008 2:07 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: SW Preselector?

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1531. Preselector again

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-13 06:26:38 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 1531 Message: 1531

Hi all,

in file "preselector1.zip" is schematic diagram and PCB of my home made active preselector 50kHz - 30MHz (you can use it also with mini-whip antenna by PA0RDT!).

Best regards, Jara "Rat"

1532. Helpful website (Many antenna projects)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-13 17:07:15 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1532 Message: 1532

http://www.discovercircuits.com/A/antenna.htm

Enjoy!

1533. Kaito 1103 Backup Radio ????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-13 18:21:26 UTC
From: Tom Welch
Topic: 1533 Message: 1533

Last monday, I ordered a Kaito 1103 radio
from Amazon and got the radio the very next
day. I have been delighted with this radio
and would like to purchase a 2nd backup radio.
I've been out of SW radio for over a decade.

I'm thinking a Degen 1103, Tecsun 9700DX or
Kaito 1107 as a 2nd radio, I like the analog
interface a lot.

Questions:

1. If I purchase a Degen 1103, can I use
the AC adapter from my Kaito 1103?

2. The reviews on the Kaito 1107 have been
mixed, from raves to very negative postings.
What's the deal with this radio?

3. Is the Tecsun 9700DX a better choice given
that I'm in the greater Phoenix, Arizona area
where performance is always an issue.

4. BTW, I collapse my Kaito's antenna and use a
long wire antenna exclusively, anything wrong
with this setup?

Thank you,
Tom in Arizona USA

1534. Re: SW Preselector?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-13 21:48:32 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 1519 Message: 1534

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul" <format4nz@...> wrote:
>
> This thread reminds me of the Codar PR40 preselector I used to use
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> Trio 9R59DS radio back in the early 70s. I still have the receiver
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> Paul

Agree with you 100% Paul, But it's not suprising with all the hash
this modern era is chucking out - general rf pollution is everywhere
from everything - so much for energy saving lol

I hope aliens aren't hoping to find intelligent life from the all the
crud (14.195Mhz included)

It's only in the last ten years that 'carriers' have popped up from
locally used cheapo products - 'a bit late to lock the stable door
after the horse has bolted'

1535. Re: [de1103] Re: SW Preselector?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-14 00:20:37 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1519 Message: 1535

And so much for radio interference regulations ....

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "Mike" <g0hci@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, April 14, 2008 9:48 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: SW Preselector?

> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul" <format4nz@...> wrote:
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1536. Re: SW Preselector?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-14 05:00:02 UTC
From: benjamesjohnson
Topic: 1519 Message: 1536

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
>
> I have a MFJ 1045c that really works when there is a lot of static crashes.
> I normally don't use it but comes in handy sometimes. Boosts gain as well. I
> use it mostly for my lesser sangeans. J
>
>

Thanks for that review on the MFJ 1045c. It is good to know that MFJ products do work.

1537. Re: Preselector again

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-14 05:06:04 UTC
From: benjamesjohnson
Topic: 1531 Message: 1537

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Jara" <krysatec@...> wrote:
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> made active preselector 50kHz - 30MHz (you can use it also with mini-
> whip antenna by PA0RDT!).
>
> Best regards, Jara "Rat"
>

Jara:

Thanks for the schematics. Unfortunately, I am very poor at reading even these simple schematics and even poorer at trying to construct such a device. I wish I was handier in doing electronic projects, as I might attempt construction of your design.

1538. Re: Kaito 1103 Backup Radio ????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-14 07:07:43 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1533 Message: 1538

Tom, welcome to this forum. I am not the group owner but I am glad to be around. And I am also glad that your are delighted with the Kaito. It will be good for you to read some messages. The radio is, in fact, very good. But it is not an expensive radio and it is not a triple conversion radio. Therefore, you should not expect too much from it and you should handle it carefully. I have followed these advises and my radio is working well. I am glad I read the comments before the radio arrived. Although, some comments scared me. I do believe that the best thing to do is to follow the manual suggestions.

With respect to your questions I will try to answer some of them. I am sure other members of this nice forum can help you, too.

1. Kaito and Degen are about the same. I read the difference was the color, only. Bob told us that his Kaito adapter is the same that I received with my Degen.

2. Both radios (Kaito and Degen) has a rating of 4.6 and 4.7 on E-ham. That is very good if you compare with other more sophisticaded and more expensive radios. I was reading this morning some bad comments about the Yaesu FT-950, which is a tremendous receiver. But, there is nothing that can be done about it. It is an open place to say what you feel. We say in spanish: "cada cabeza es un mundo". It means, more or less, that each mind is different. I recommend you, if I could, to read those reviews from Radio Intel and few other more reliable sources. I do not see any review about the Kaito 1107 in the 2008 edition of the Passport to World Band Radio.

3. I do know nothing about the Tecsun 9700 DX.

4. I also collapse the telescopic antenna when using the external outlet. I have been comparing both and I get better results with the external antenna. It could be that I use an amplified antenna device. Anyway, the telescopic antenna is very sensitive. You can also read some comments about it in the file section of this forum, specially the russian and monitoring times reviews. Most radio manuals suggest to collapse the internal antenna when using and external one. I am sure somebody else can add something more to your question.

It is very difficult to find such a cheap radio with those "amazing receiving characteristics" (words taken from a german electronic lab), so it could be wise to buy a back up. But you can also wait for the Grundig Satellit 750, which will be sold for about $300. That will make this radio the cheapest Grundig "Satellit" radio ever. Of course, it should not only depend on the price.

Regards,

Carlos
Panama

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tom Welch" <tw78216@...> wrote:
>
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> from Amazon and got the radio the very next
> day. I have been delighted with this radio
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> 3. Is the Tecsun 9700DX a better choice given
> that I'm in the greater Phoenix, Arizona area
> where performance is always an issue.
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> 4. BTW, I collapse my Kaito's antenna and use a
> long wire antenna exclusively, anything wrong
> with this setup?
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> Thank you,
> Tom in Arizona USA
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1539. Re: Kaito 1103 Backup Radio ????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-14 10:16:06 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 1533 Message: 1539

HI all!

> > 3. Is the Tecsun 9700DX a better choice given
> > that I'm in the greater Phoenix, Arizona area
> > where performance is always an issue.

Tecsun have not digital dial and also have not all bands.
Degen1103 work also from 0kHz to 40MHz...

(http://www.radiointel.com/review-review-tecsunr9700dx.htm)

And where is SSB and 76-86MHz band in Tecsun???

Best regards, Jara "Rat"

1540. Re: [de1103] Re: Kaito 1103 Backup Radio ????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-14 17:21:20 UTC
From: Tom Welch
Topic: 1533 Message: 1540

Carlos:

Thank you for your quick response, the Grundig 750 looks pretty awesome and has DSP as well. The 750 is really the Tecsun S-2000, click http://hkradioer.googlepages.com/s2000 to view photos. May be I will wait to purchase a backup radio.

Thank you,
Tom Welch > Author, Consultant and Researcher
http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/pmcheatsheets/
http://health.groups.yahoo.com/group/rollator/

1541. Re: Kaito 1103 Backup Radio ????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-14 18:13:09 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 1533 Message: 1541

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Carlos Vargas Vidal" <vargasvidal@...>
wrote:
>
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> receiving characteristics" (words taken from a german electronic
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> will make this radio the cheapest Grundig "Satellit" radio ever. Of
> course, it should not only depend on the price.
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> Regards,
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> Carlos
> Panama
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Hi Carlos,

I keep forgetting to email you offline as it seems our employer
history has some commonalities :)

As for "back ups" I found this thread somewhat ironic because I
acquired my Kaito KA1103 as a "back up" to my Sony ICF-SW77 (currently
being repaired and tuned up). Thusfar the little 1103 has exceeded my
expectations and it unquestionably is a tremendous value for what it
costs.

I also have a Yaseu FRG-7 in addition to the SW77 and KA1103. Oh
there's also a tiny CountyComm GP-4 aka Degen DE-202 in my possession
which really is in a whole other class of radio.

Were I to acquire a new receiver it would most likely be a tabletop
like the Palstar R30CC. Used prices on the Drake R8B put it out of
the question. Frankly the R30CC aka Lowe 350 has a great rep and
costs only a bit over $100 more than the poor reliability plagued Eton
E1XM.
All this said I too will be watching to see just how the soon to be
introduced Grundig 750 shapes up. It'd be nice if it performs as well
as a working Eton E1 but that's probably hoping for too much.

73s
Bob
KCA6XS

1542. Re: Kaito 1103 Backup Radio ????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-14 21:57:04 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1533 Message: 1542

It is Ok, Tom. According to a group I belong, pertaining to the new Grundig, it "may not" have a DSP. That is the reason the radio is cheap. But it "may" have an incorporated preselector. Which is very good.

To my humble opinion, the preselector is better to have it. I do not see a good reason for having a DSP to cope with signals coming from everywhere. With a preselector most signals will be from the right band selected or listened. Of course, I would prefer to have both things. In any case, if the radio comes with a DSP it will be an audio DSP. It will not be an IF DSP wich is more expensive and efficient.

Yes, Tom, we have to learn what we could get for the money we pay. We are lucky enough to have factories like Tecsun and Degen which can produce oustanding economical radios. But we can not, and should not, expect too much from that.

Regards,

Carlos

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1543. Re: Kaito 1103 Backup Radio ????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-14 22:10:40 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1533 Message: 1543

Good to hear from you Bob, again. And it is also good to hear you did not spend your money for nothing. And that the radio is beyond your expectations.

Yes, it is an irony about backing up the Sony SW-77 (>$400) with the little Kaito/Degen ($49 plus shipping from China). But it is not bad. If you own a BMW car and a Volkswagen, both will take you to the same place; although in different conditions. I believe that the point here is to arrive to the same place than not to arrive at all. Besides, not everybody can have a BMW.

I do believe the Grundig will be a very good radio for its price.

Chao,

Carlos

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> 73s
> Bob
> KCA6XS
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1544. Re: [de1103] Re: Kaito 1103 Backup Radio ????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-14 22:33:48 UTC
From: Tom Welch
Topic: 1533 Message: 1544

Carlos:

Several of my friends have aleady ordered the Grundig 750, which I believe is a mistake given the initial problems with the Grundig 800 when it was first introduced. That said, unless the Grundig 750 is an outstanding performer, I probably will not order this radio.

I talked to Sangean America last week and the salesman told me that Sangean will be coming out with a portable radio with strong AM capabilities. Over the years, I have found Sangean to have much fewer problems with initial product releases.

Thank you again for your input.

Thank you,
Tom Welch > Author, Consultant and Researcher
http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/pmcheatsheets/
http://health.groups.yahoo.com/group/rollator/

1545. Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-19 15:59:49 UTC
From: setijens
Topic: 1545 Message: 1545

Hey folks,
unfortunately the good surprise (the DE1103 arrived no later than 10 days after I ordered it all the way from China) came with a bad one: After playing around with it for a few hours (listening to Lincolnshire Poacher :)) without problems, the known problem occured with my receiver: Odd frequencies stay calm, even frequencies just work fine.

Is there any remedy for this except replacement? (Keep in mind, I'm not a technician)
And then again: Did anyone ever experience it the way I did? I mean the Radio working normally at start and then suddenly ceases to function on odd frequencies? If yes: Can this also occur out of a sudden after a few weeks/months?

Best regards
Jens

1546. Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-19 20:07:31 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1545 Message: 1546

Read the instruction manual(or download it from this Forum's File folder) and RESET the DE1103. If such procedure failed, take the betteries out. Put the radio away for a few days (Hopefully the DE1103 can then be RESET by itself)
Another possiblity is simply a coincident. Those ODD freq. station signals become too weak to be picked up by the radio when the problem surfaced. Also double check if you accidentally switch to "local"(i.e. less sensitive) rather than to the "DX" position
Such suspection can easily be confirmed by other radio at the same receiving locations.

Hope this helps.

P.S.I never encountered such mysterious problems.
Nevertheless what you mean "odd frequencies"?
e.g. 1103Khz(but good for station at 1140Khz), 11.43 Mhz (or any station within the 11.00 Mhz band(s).... etc.?

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1547. Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-20 03:15:09 UTC
From: setijens
Topic: 1545 Message: 1547

Hey there,
I tried resetting twice without any effect. Haven't tried to take away
the power for some time - I'll do that.

But I doubt it's a coincident. It hardly can be concidental, that in
the whole AM-Band even frequencies (xxx2,xxx4,xxx6... kHz) can be
heard normally, while odd frequencies (xxx1, xxx3, xxx5 kHz) cannot be
heard at all. (Manual tuning - not automatical!)

If things should change or the seller has any other recommendation,
I'll post it here. Otherwise I'll need a replacement :(

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1548. Re: [de1103] Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-20 03:25:07 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1545 Message: 1548

Mmmm... it sounds like a faulty encoder.

I guess I read somewhere stories like that, perhaps in this forum.
Encoders cuurently used by Degen are supposed to be more reliable
than those used in earlier units, but a fault can occur now and then.

Try keying in the frequencies instead of tuning, just to see if it
makes any difference.

Good luck (and apologies for my poor English)

Moises

At 00:15 20/04/2008, you wrote:

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>the power for some time - I'll do that.
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Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

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1549. Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-20 03:49:36 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1545 Message: 1549

Where are you located?
Another possibility is that in different regions the Am station freq. spacing are different:
... Medium wave is 520 kHz¨C1,610 kHz. In the Americas (ITU region 2) 10 kHz spacing is used; elsewhere it is 9 kHz. ITU region 2 also authorizes the Extended AM broadcast band between 1610 kHz and 1710 kHz. ....
Sounded like your DE1103 are not designed to operate for your region. (designed only for receiving 10Khz spaced broacast stations)
However if you can pickup those questionble at the first time but failed later then such suspection should be ruled out)

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1550. Degen 1103 Bad problem Tuning SW

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-20 01:18:07 UTC
From: stefy506
Topic: 1550 Message: 1550

Hello, I am Italian, you excuse for my not good English. Have problems with Degen 1103.....after 10 15 minutes from the ignition, arrives a bad problem of tuning SW = example = 3650 khz= receiver ok //after jogdial up > 3651 = receiver muting// after jogdial up >3652 = receiver ok.....always the same!!!!!
(The same problem descending of tuning!)

All the other functions with the JOG DIAL is OK!!! ex= VOL/ charge Battery/ Memory/ Clock/ all Good !!

Is Possible defect PLL or VCO??

Adjustment ?? Capacitor sobsitution???

ONLY SW Problem!! FM is Good!!!

TKS!!! Grazie !!!! Stefano.

1551. Re: Degen 1103 Bad problem Tuning SW

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-20 14:11:04 UTC
From: setijens
Topic: 1550 Message: 1551

Hey Stefano,
I've got exactly the same problem. Except that it took place not 10 - 15 minutes after usage, but a few hours after.
Did you buy the receiver on eBay? If so - who was the seller?

If you know of any way to fix this problem, let me know!

Best regards
Jens

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1552. Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-20 14:15:48 UTC
From: setijens
Topic: 1545 Message: 1552

Hey,
I'm located in Germany. And as this occurs throughout the whole AM-Band, I think we can rule out anything else. It's not, that stations are weak on odd frequencies - they're not there.
To illustrate the problem once more: xxx1 kHz (loud noise), xxx2 kHz (nothing), xxx3 kHz (loud noise), xxx4 (kHz) (nothing) - and so on.

Really - too bad. I also don't know exactly what to do. What, if my replacement is bad as well? I guess that's the price you have to pay, if you want to save money by buying electronics from China.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
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> However if you can pickup those questionble at the first time but
> failed later then such suspection should be ruled out)
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1553. Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-20 14:21:30 UTC
From: setijens
Topic: 1545 Message: 1553

Hey Moises,
thanks for the suggestion, but it doesn't make a difference.

Best regards
Jens

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moisés Knochen <moises.knochen@...> wrote:
>
> Mmmm... it sounds like a faulty encoder.
>
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> Encoders cuurently used by Degen are supposed to be more reliable
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1554. Re: [de1103] Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-20 15:03:06 UTC
From: Thad Larson
Topic: 1545 Message: 1554

Does this occur with multiple strong AM stations?

On my DE1103 (older, replaced encoder), I can tune into strong stations. The bandwidth is such that changing the frequency by 1kHz will make the signal a little less clear. 2kHz makes it even less clear....and so on.

It may not be a coincidence that two new members have a similar problem. Strange that one is SW and the other is MW.

Does xxx1 kHz sound EXACTLY like xxx3 kHz? or is there some variation? You mention 'loud noise'. Is it noise or are you indicting that the station can be heard loudly?

Thad
--- On Sun, 4/20/08, setijens wrote:
From: setijens
Subject: [de1103] Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, April 20, 2008, 10:15 AM

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1555. Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-20 15:35:06 UTC
From: setijens
Topic: 1545 Message: 1555

Hey Thad,
the problem occurs throughout all frequencies. With my example, I only wanted to make it clear, that odd frqeuencies are de-facto muted. Let me give you another example: North Korea's propaganda broadcast "Voice of Korea" sends at 9235 kHz. So I can indeed hear the things relatively clear on 9234 and 9236 kHz as you said but not at all at 9235 kHz. Of course...regarding the program's contents one might argue, that it isn't a loss anyway, but you know, what I mean :)

So basically everything seems to be okay with the receiver, with exception of the reception of odd frequencies in SW. But then again: A receiver without the ability to receive odd frequencies isn't even worth ~ 50 EUR in my opinion.

Best regards
Jens

1556. Re: [de1103] Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-20 16:12:37 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1545 Message: 1556

Well, it looks like you got a lemmon... that is part of the risk of purchasing a low cost receiver. We have to do the quality control ourselves and if it turns out to be a poor sample, we loose.

Of course the e-bay seller will replace it but you will have to pay the freight (postage) both ways, depending of the country you live in it may be close to the price of a new receiver. Now I understand why people living in countries where there is a local shop selling rebranded radios (e.g. Kaito or Thieking & Koch) prefer to buy the more expensive rebranded units which are guaranteed and backed up by a local service.

Given these circumstances it might be wise to buy 2 units at the same time, just in case one of them turns out to be faulty (a kind of self-warranty). Of course if your budget (and the Customs of the country) allow for it...

I purchased (separately) two DE-1103, both are good performers, but in one of them (purchased directly from Degen) the aluminum faceplate got loose... I glued it again but it seems I did not do it correctly and is getting loose again...

73,

Moises

At 12:35 20/04/2008, you wrote:

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1557. Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-20 19:09:17 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1545 Message: 1557

Not necessarily be a Lemmom.
If you got the European version DE1103 and used it in Region 2/America you will face similar problems in America) Since the DE1103 is a double conversion design the freq spacing is set consistently to all AM bands therefore it is NORMAL that you also found the "ODD" freq problems. In some radios --- but not the DE1103 --- they have a switch at the back(or hidden inside the battery compartment) to change 9khz to 10khz -- and vis versa --- but not the DE1103 though. Hopefully someone will suggest a simply method to reprogram the set -- using the Keys(function buttons) at the front panels.

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1558. Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-20 19:25:03 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1545 Message: 1558

I am sorry I am wrong. I just noted my DE1103 can turned to
all "even and odd" freq step by step continuously; therefore I need
to admit that this one was definately a lemom --- (no likely can be
FIXed yourself)

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1559. Re: Degen 1103 Bad problem Tuning SW

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-20 22:31:58 UTC
From: stefy506
Topic: 1550 Message: 1559

Hello Jens, I have not bought in Ebay, I have bought from an importer here in italia. Wait for an answer from some technician in this forum because I sharpen would not know where to put hand.

We hope that some help will arrive from the forum!

>
> Hey Stefano,
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1560. Re: [de1103] Re: Degen 1103 Bad problem Tuning SW Stefy

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-20 22:50:28 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1560 Message: 1560

Sounds as though you have a warranty claim, I would send the radio back to
the local importer.

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: "stefy506" <stefy506@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, April 21, 2008 10:31 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Degen 1103 Bad problem Tuning SW

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1561. Re: Degen 1103 Bad problem Tuning SW

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-20 22:51:37 UTC
From: stefy506
Topic: 1550 Message: 1561

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1562. Re: Degen 1103 Bad problem Tuning SW

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-21 00:16:36 UTC
From: setijens
Topic: 1550 Message: 1562

Hey Stefano,
after some research I found out, that after not receiving SW anymore,
someone once pulled out the battery for about 48 hours or so (I tried
it last night for about 10 hours - no effect) and then things were
okay again.

I'll try this now. But even if it works, it of course would be shit.
At least, if it happens more frequently. Stopping to listen to the
radio for 48 hours certainly isn't a real way of dealing with the problem.

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1563. Reliability KA1103 vs. DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-21 00:26:13 UTC
From: setijens
Topic: 1563 Message: 1563

Hey folks,
due to my recent experiences, I ask myself, if the Kaito-Models are just as unreliable as the DE1103. I mean - are they constructed exactly the same way, or is the construction process modified for these? German imports (about 180 $!) for example are produced differently to comply with European technical standards.
How about the Kaito-Models? I ask, because a friend of mine is also thinking of buying a receiver - and due to my (and Stefano's) experience, I cannot really recommend a DE1103....

Best regards
Jens

1564. Re: Degen 1103 Bad problem Tuning SW

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-21 01:03:58 UTC
From: stefy506
Topic: 1550 Message: 1564

Hello, I read about this system to remove the batteries H. x 48 .....
try 'this well myself. But I believe that the problem is due to a
hasty calibrate the VCO, PLL or .... still no sense of me to return to
the seller because Degen 'I paid a low price.
I hope an answer forum on the part of some that Tech has already
'found the problem.

Hello!

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> Hey Stefano,
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1565. Re: [de1103] Reliability KA1103 vs. DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-21 02:06:45 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1563 Message: 1565

I have had both. No difference really. There are lemons in any product. I bought a Kaito just recently for the warrenty. Josh
----- Original Message -----
From: setijens
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, April 20, 2008 8:26 PM
Subject: [de1103] Reliability KA1103 vs. DE1103

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Best regards
Jens

1566. Re: [de1103] Reliability KA1103 vs. DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-21 07:36:15 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1563 Message: 1566

Seeing that they are undoubtedly made in the same factory, I would suspect
that they would be costructed in the same way.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "setijens" <setijens@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, April 21, 2008 12:26 PM
Subject: [de1103] Reliability KA1103 vs. DE1103

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1567. LO Crystals the culprit with SW tuning?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-21 07:55:51 UTC
From: setijens
Topic: 1567 Message: 1567

Hey there,
I've got the following answer from my eBay-seller:

"We made a phone call with DE1103 designer just now, and confirm the issue you mentioned was caused because the 2nd LO stop working, the way to fix this issue is change a new 2nd LO inside (2nd LO is a crystal under the shielding cover).

So could you please kindly advise if you can change it by youuself or not? If is, then we can arrange to ship some of 2nd LO crystals for you."

I suppose I've got to say no, as I until now don't even know what a LO crystal is. Does this make sense to anyone, and are there assembly instructions anywhere?

Best regards
Jens

1568. Re: [de1103] LO Crystals the culprit with SW tuning?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-21 10:28:08 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1567 Message: 1568

----- Original Message -----
From: "setijens" <setijens@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, April 21, 2008 8:55 AM
Subject: [de1103] LO Crystals the culprit with SW tuning?

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The DE1103 is a double-conversion superhet - the received signal is up-converted to a VHF IF, filtered, and down-converted to 455 kHz where the main filtering takes place. The mixers use local oscillators (LOs) and it is the second mixer LO crystal that needs replacing.The first mixer is driven by the frequency synthesiser.

Leon

1569. Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-21 13:41:01 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1545 Message: 1569

Hello!
The second heterodyne (oscillator) is broken.
You should use warranty.

Good luck!

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "setijens" <setijens@...> wrote:
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> Hey folks,
> unfortunately the good surprise (the DE1103 arrived no later than 10
> days after I ordered it all the way from China) came with a bad one:
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> Lincolnshire Poacher :)) without problems, the known problem occured
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> work fine.
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> not a technician)
> And then again: Did anyone ever experience it the way I did? I mean
> the Radio working normally at start and then suddenly ceases to
> function on odd frequencies? If yes: Can this also occur out of a
> sudden after a few weeks/months?
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> Best regards
> Jens
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1570. Re: Degen 1103 Bad problem Tuning SW

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-21 13:42:37 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1550 Message: 1570

Hello!
You can read my answer in the topic:
- Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal-

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "stefy506" <stefy506@...> wrote:
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1571. Re: 1103 Reliability

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-21 15:13:27 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 1563 Message: 1571

Jens,

I concur with other comments here. First both the Kaito and Degen are made in the same factory and differ only in the cosmetic badges on the exterior. Second, reliability appears to be pretty darned good with the current production. Bugs, as are found on any model, have long since been worked out. As an aside, from available documentation, the much more expensive (and capable) Eton E1XM has a much higher incidence of problems and warranty claims.

I also have a Sony ICF-SW77. The original I bought was recalled and exchanged for an improved "second generation" model by Sony. It has worked flawlessly since 1991 until recently when leaking capacitors necessitated a repair. Not too shabby for 17 years service. Nor is the functioning of a Yaesu FRG-7 purchased with mods from Gilfer in 1984 that has not needed any attention since. I suspect my Kaito 1103 will hum along for quite some time too.

--Bob

1572. Re: LO Crystals the culprit with SW tuning?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-21 18:01:39 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1567 Message: 1572

Now the mystery identified! It may not be cost effective to ship
the bad unit back for replacements. Likly needed to be fixed by
yourself or by the local repairing shops/or event your local Degen
distributors --- if you are luck!
Why keep on asking the seller details for the HOW_TO_FIX
instructions. Hopfuly you will receive copies of
drawings/procedures ... etc rather than email statements.

PS Highly suspect this problem only occured in the current
production runs either due to bad components or a new design revision.

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1573. Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-21 21:31:50 UTC
From: stefy506
Topic: 1545 Message: 1573

Thanks for the info. I have the schematic .... which Xtal and 'to be replaced? Example = U8? U ....??
What?

Tks! Stefano.

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1574. Why is the LO Crystals the culprit with SW tuning?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-21 23:00:43 UTC
From: Thad Larson
Topic: 1567 Message: 1574

Using the block diagram in the files section:

DE1103-block-diagram.jpg (http://f1.grp.yahoofs.com/v1/YA4NSG7yw8oHcvsUOzm9CZTBZCOB6guQCkQA-QMm7ydohdFwIpS4iINBwpeAm6UUQ8G4w0BaAKMoe3vKfr4SvCUMUruaeZPda4zucIVqsg/DE1103-block-diagram.jpg)

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/DE1103-block-diagram.jpg

Can anybody in the group explain why a bad 2nd LO would cause one frequency to work, but the frequency specified 1kHz away would not? Looking at the schematic, I can see why it would affect AM and not FM, but I am unsure as to why 1/2 the frequencies would be 'missing'.

Thanks in Advance!!

Thad

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1575. Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-22 02:59:58 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1545 Message: 1575

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "stefy506" <stefy506@...> wrote:
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> replaced? Example = U8? U ....??
> What?

U8 - The third oscillator (for SSB).)
But 2nd are Q2, U6, D601.
Look at your receiver, you can see:
...DUAL CONVERSION...
So, first Intermediate frequency (IF) is
55.845 MHz (T601, U1,...),
Second IF is 450kHz, that follows from
IC6 (pin 1).
Q2, U6 - second oscillator (55.394 MHz +1 kHz)
for this conversion (from 55.845 to 450).
PLL (IC4 and VCO Q13) of the receiver has 2 kHz step of changing of
frequency (even frequency). When the indicator shows odd frequency,
PLL doesn't change frequency, but 2nd oscillator increase one
on 1 kHz. When the indicator shows even frequency, PLL changes
frequency, but 2nd oscillator decrease on 1 kHz.
So, if your 1103 receive on the even frequency and doesn't
on the odd then 2nd oscillator has failure of generation
when it tries to change frequency on 1 kHz.
You can try to change parameters of the 2nd osc.
There is the red tuning condenser next to the second oscillator.
Try to tune it. Check circuit - D601, R615..

Sorry for my English, I hope that I helped you.
Good luck!

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1576. Re: Why is the LO Crystals the culprit with SW tuning?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-22 03:06:24 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1567 Message: 1576

I answered in topic " Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal"

1577. Re: Why is the LO Crystals the culprit with SW tuning?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-22 23:52:37 UTC
From: stefy506
Topic: 1567 Message: 1577

WIND NV hello, Many thanks, now I understand! Good! Then only problem Adjust not replace the crystal !!!???

Ahhh everything's ok! With calm the next day try '!

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> I answered in topic " Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal"
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1578. Re: Why is the LO Crystals the culprit with SW tuning?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-23 06:25:39 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1567 Message: 1578

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "stefy506" <stefy506@...> wrote:
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> WIND NV hello, Many thanks, now I understand! Good! Then only
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I think.. yes. Because, even frequencies normal. It doesn't work only
when oscillator tries to change frequency on 1 kHz.

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OK.
:)

1579. Re: [de1103] Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-23 13:07:15 UTC
From: Thad Larson
Topic: 1545 Message: 1579

wind_nv,

Thank you for your explanation.

Thad

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1580. Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-23 13:34:38 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1545 Message: 1580

You are welcome!

1581. Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-23 23:32:06 UTC
From: setijens
Topic: 1545 Message: 1581

Well folks - the story continues for me. Seems to be my luck to have bought from Tao Qu (tquchina), who seems to be quite a nice fellow. I had to return the radio, costing 10 EUR. But he'll pay the shipping of a new radio and will ship it prior to the arrival of my return there. And he'll include a carrying pouch free of charge. Quite a service for a Chinese mass seller, I'd say.
Let's hope I'm luckier this time.

Best regards
Jens

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1582. Re: [de1103] Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-24 02:14:16 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1545 Message: 1582

Yes, he is the best seller out there!
----- Original Message -----
From: setijens
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, April 23, 2008 7:32 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

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bought from Tao Qu (tquchina), who seems to be quite a nice fellow. I
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Checked by AVG.
Version: 7.5.524 / Virus Database: 269.23.3/1393 - Release Date: 4/23/2008 8:12 AM

1583. Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-24 12:43:09 UTC
From: old_speaker_guy
Topic: 1545 Message: 1583

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Hi Wind NV,

I think you are exactly right about the 2nd oscillator half steps, good catch. It looks like the diode D601 adds C616 (10p) in parallel with C617 (102p) to cause the 1kHz shift. I would guess that C616 is short or wrong value. If the oscillator is strongly shifted by a wrong (large) value then 1st IF filters and 2nd IF filters wouldn't line up and radio would be effectively dead.

Still, a hard fix for the typical user so back to the seller it goes...

David Smith

1584. Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-24 23:11:21 UTC
From: stefy506
Topic: 1545 Message: 1584

Thank you very much friends, but some of you have already 'made the repair? I would appreciate information secured a repair been made.

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1585. Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-25 02:19:56 UTC
From: stefy506
Topic: 1545 Message: 1585

No, the flaw exists with equally strong signals! Sorry! ..... the defect sometimes arrives after 40 50 minutes .... sometimes after 10 15 minutes after ..... when and 'so' and 'easy to think of different problems together. Sorry again, but the Group and 'available to help precisely among us! Thank you! and.....sorry for my persistent msg!!!

Stefano

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> > I think you are exactly right about the 2nd oscillator half steps,
> > good catch. It looks like the diode D601 adds C616 (10p) in parallel
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> > short or wrong value. If the oscillator is strongly shifted by a
> > wrong (large) value then 1st IF filters and 2nd IF filters wouldn't
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> > Still, a hard fix for the typical user so back to the seller it
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1586. Re: [de1103] Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-25 08:06:18 UTC
From: frarig@tiscali.it
Topic: 1545 Message: 1586

Hello Stephen,
I doubt that there are conditions for a satisfactory repair of radio.I council to contact the seller for the refund, perhaps lose shipping costs, but you enjoy listening quiet!
Hello.
Francis

Ciao Stefano,
dubito che vi siano le condizioni per una riparazione soddisfacente della radio.Ti consiglio di contattare il venditore per la restituzione,forse perdi le spese di spedizione, ma ti godi ascolti tranquilli!Ciao.
Francesco

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1587. Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-27 23:17:29 UTC
From: stefy506
Topic: 1545 Message: 1587

MADE RESOLVED PROBLEM REPAIR! Friend thanks for the precious information which you have sent me,thanks to everybody you and especially to David Smith !!!The defect was coming from the condenser C616 (10 pf)what was not present! he was lacking from the factory!!! Have pratically inserted a 10 pf to place of the missing condenser, but what must be as present as the wiring diagram shows!
At this point think of what many others Degen 1103 turns out the same defect!And been a work very difficult, all in smd ... uhhhhh ... . Work for micro surgeon's hands.....would not maybe do again him ... ahhhh!!!
I have aprofittato to make the "screening" recommended by Radoscanner RUSSIA, very important this, the radio was open so I have thought I would make all the work.
If someone wanted to repair Degen alone I can send INFO on as intervene. It is a simple thing to replace the condenser, but it is difficult to locate it because it is hidden under one metal screening.
If you need contact me ... . In my "child" I can help with info and drawings. Thanks anchors! Stefano

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> No, the flaw exists with equally strong signals! Sorry! ..... the
> defect sometimes arrives after 40 50 minutes .... sometimes after 10
> 15 minutes after ..... when and 'so' and 'easy to think of different
> problems together. Sorry again, but the Group and 'available to help
> precisely among us! Thank you! and.....sorry for my persistent msg!!!
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> Stefano
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> > Thank you very much friends, but some of you have already 'made the
> > repair? I would appreciate information secured a repair been made.
> >
> > I read that the defect exists for many friends, I try reliable
> > information because 'I am not a technical deep.
> > ..... ahhhh, it seems to me that the flaw exists only in the
> > absence of strong signals in antenna ..... seems that if there are
> > strong signals to the receiver the problem does not exist .... mahhh
> > ... could be my impression Tks!
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1588. Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-04-28 03:42:32 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1545 Message: 1588

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "stefy506" <stefy506@...> wrote:
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> but what must be as present as the wiring diagram shows!

mmm... I think .. You probably were not right, new version of DE1103
(IV version) has a trimmer condenser (red color, next to metal
screening, I wrote earlier) that, I think, is instead C616. So, you
should tune this condenser only, because your DE1103 periodically
works.
In old versions, this tune could be made by tuning T1.
The wiring diagram is not new version, so there can be differences.
Though, if your DE has worked well, let remains so. :)

Good luck!

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1589. Impressions on new Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-04 23:51:56 UTC
From: pphilbro
Topic: 1589 Message: 1589

Hi all,

Just received my new 1103 last week to supplement / replace my aging Sony ICF-7600D that I purchased 25 Years ago..

Here are my impressions:

Smaller than the Sony, nicely constructed with well moulded case.
Slightly better performance on MW (BCB) and SW but not quite as good on FM.
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Distorted MW audio at all volumes.
General audio not as good as Sony.
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While I was in the case I noted a number of differences to the original circuit and pictures on this site.
The whip antenna connection now has a couple of back to back diodes across it to discharge ESD.
There is more shielding.
The Jog control is different and glued into the case.
The band pass filter on pin 1 of the FM converter is missing.
The switched audio shaping around Q9 and Q10 is missing.
A large 1000uf capacitor is installed near the battery case.
The external aerial circuit seems to have reverted to being connected to the balanced mixer and works on MW.

Overall a great little radio with very few vices.

1590. Re: [de1103] Impressions on new Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-05 00:33:16 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1589 Message: 1590

Did you get the Kaito version?

pphilbro wrote:
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1591. Re: Impressions on new Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-05 00:40:42 UTC
From: pphilbro
Topic: 1589 Message: 1591

No this was a Degen DE1103 from one of the Chinese eBay suppliers.
Actually posted from Hong Kong and arrived in 5 days to Australia..

1592. Re: Impressions on new Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-05 01:08:48 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1589 Message: 1592

I bought the Kaito version about a year ago and haven't had any problems with MW audio. I'm glad to hear that you're knowledgeable enough to dig in and do modifications. I do not go inside radios. That's an accident looking for a place to happen.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "pphilbro" <pphilbro@...> wrote:
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1593. Re: [de1103] Re: Impressions on new Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-05 01:12:51 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1589 Message: 1593

Ok, I just got a new Kaito and wondered if it has the front end diodes.
I might just have me a look. Thanks

pphilbro wrote:
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1594. Re: Impressions on new Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-06 04:04:06 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1589 Message: 1594

Hi, it is good to hear more about your new Degen. The information has been revealing. Thanks.

I received mine in Panama about two months ago also from a chinese eBay supplier. It is working Ok.

I used to open radios and looked around. But they were other kind of radios.

There is something that disturbs me. It is the serial number. It is AI04... For some reason I have thought that my radio is a refurbished radio. And the serial number also push me to think in that way. Therefore, I would appreciate to know about your serial number.

There is also something I do not finish to understand well. The english translation from the russian web page review of the radio do not help too much. It is about the external antenna change from the older version of the radio. Can you explain that to me?

Well, thanks again. I am glad you like the little radio. It is a marvel for its price.

Carlos

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "pphilbro" <pphilbro@...> wrote:
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1595. Re: Impressions on new Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-06 04:14:37 UTC
From: pphilbro
Topic: 1589 Message: 1595

Cannot tell you the serial number at the moment, I will have a look tonight and post it.

From how I understand it, the first versions of these radios bypassed the RF pre-amplifier when using the external aerial.

According to the Russian site later ones did not bypass the pre-amp and therefore were subject to overload and cross modulation when using an external aerial. They also seemed to suggest that these models did not allow the use of an external aerial on BCB.

Certainly mine does bypass the pre-amp and allow use of an external aerial on broadcast band.

The sticker with the manufacture date on it was sometime in January 08, again I will confirm this tonight when I get home..

1596. Re: Impressions on new Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-06 04:57:07 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1589 Message: 1596

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "pphilbro" <pphilbro@...> wrote:

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> and therefore were subject to overload and cross modulation when
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> an external aerial.

You are right.

>They also seemed to suggest that these models
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SSB?

1597. Re: Impressions on new Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-06 09:59:55 UTC
From: pphilbro
Topic: 1589 Message: 1597

Ok Carlos,

The serial number of my radio is A1068823 and the label in the box had
08 01 04 on it which I assume is 4th January 2008.
I wonder how this compares with others in the group?

1598. Re: [de1103] Re: Impressions on new Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-06 11:03:11 UTC
From: Dave Spicer
Topic: 1589 Message: 1598

>> >They also seemed to suggest that these models did
>> > not allow the use of an external aerial on BCB.
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> SSB?

"Broadcast Band" is a term I've heard here in the US - it means the
520-1710 kHz "medium wave" band.

- Dave

1599. Re: Impressions on new Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-06 12:34:45 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1589 Message: 1599

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Dave Spicer <drspicer@...> wrote:
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> >> > not allow the use of an external aerial on BCB.
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> > SSB?
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> 520-1710 kHz "medium wave" band.
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> - Dave

OK. Thank you Dave!
Yes, new models cannot use an external aerial on BCB.

1600. Re: [de1103] Impressions on new Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-06 13:59:02 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1589 Message: 1600
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hi pphilbro,
I also purchased my DE1103 on october 2006 after about 20 years using a Sony ICF-7600DS (roughly the same as you have and also a very good receiver) and had the same impressions. The Degen sounded poor when compared with the Sony (perhaps a bit too tinny) but this is to be expected as the Sony has a larger and better loudspeaker (and a bigger case)

However I didn't notice any distortion on MW or on any other band. I have read about some 1103's with distorted audio but it seems to be a problem of a batch with wrong values in some critical resistors. This QC problem dates from long ago and seemed to be solved out.
However... QC is not the best of Chinese manufacturers, who knows...

I also found the SSB far superior to that in the Sony.

I am glad to know that the infamous vulnerability to electrostatic disharge was also cured. It seems so easy to solve, hard to understand why they did not address it before.

As to the issue of serial numbers raised by some people here, I own two units, one purchased directly from Degen via Hong Kong Tecsun's office (october 2006) and the second one from tquchina (february 2007), and neither of them have a serial number! I didn' find it strange, until I knew that they usually do have serial numbers on it!

However both units perform satisfactorily. My only complaint is that in the first one the faceplate got loose after some time, an obvious QC issue. Also the whip is not very robust, I ceased to handle it in the first unit as it was also getting loose. This is also a known issue of this radios.

I hope you continue enjoying this little and wonderful receiver.

73,
Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

At 20:51 04/05/2008, you wrote:

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>05/05/2008 17:11

Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

1601. Re: Impressions on new Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-06 15:57:09 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1589 Message: 1601

Moisés: the serial number is inside the batteries compartment. Thanks to the amigo from Italy I see that I was right. His serial number is much higher than mine. During the time I received mine I read somebody received his with the serial number AI06... which is closer than mine but still higher. Anyway, there is nothing I can do now. Also, the radio is working well. Besides, if it is a refurbished one that means that the radio was updated. I hope so.

Saludos,

Carlos
Panama

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> strange, until I knew that they usually do have serial numbers on it!
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> 73,
> Moises Knochen
> Montevideo, Uruguay

1602. Re: [de1103] Re: Impressions on new Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-06 16:56:35 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1589 Message: 1602

Hi Carlos,

At 12:57 06/05/2008, you wrote:

>Moisés: the serial number is inside the batteries compartment.

Well, there is no serial number in my first Degen, purchased from Degen.

Previously I did not see any number in the second
receiver, even in the batteriesy compartment.
However after reading your message I have opened
the battery compartment again, and there its:
AI040359, just located in an unobvious position
which cannot be seen immediately after taking the batteries out.

Thank you for calling my attention to that. Does
the number have any meaning? I received it on February 2007.

73,

Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

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1603. Re: Impressions on new Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-06 22:12:06 UTC
From: ian.campbell99
Topic: 1589 Message: 1603

I have a 1103 purchased in Dec 07 from Australian Auctions on Ebay.
The serial is A1004702. I kept the box but don't see any label on it.

Ian

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "pphilbro" <pphilbro@...> wrote:
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> Ok Carlos,
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> 08 01 04 on it which I assume is 4th January 2008.
> I wonder how this compares with others in the group?
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1604. Re: Impressions on new Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-07 06:19:15 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1589 Message: 1604

Moisés, I believe the serial number has to do with the production line or output. If it is so, my serial number should be well above AI04... since I received the radio one year after yours (february 2008). But, as I said before, nothing can be done about it.

In the next message, a friend from Australia mentions that there is no label on his radio box. Mine does not show that label either. We need more information. I have three labels glued to the front of the box, but they have no numbers. It was suggested that the label shows the date of the production, if my memory has not failed.

Well, I am glad you know something more about your radio. Carlos

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moisés Knochen <moises.knochen@...>
wrote:
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1605. Re: Impressions on new Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-07 07:42:38 UTC
From: pphilbro
Topic: 1589 Message: 1605

Hi all,

The label with the date was loose inside the box, and I almost overlooked it. It is about 4cm by 2cm with white and black with blue printing that looks as if it is from a rubber stamp. the printing is in three rows, in my case:

DE1103
08 01 04
(3)

Regards,
Paul

1606. Degen won't switch on

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-08 09:45:33 UTC
From: ian.campbell99
Topic: 1606 Message: 1606

I went to switch on my 1103 this morning and nothing happened. Checked the hold button but it wasn't on hold. The clock was working and showed on the display and the hold button would show a key on the display also when I pressed it but the radio wouldn't play. I tried fresh batteries and then put it on the power pack but no go. I was just thinking about a reset when I thought to try the alarm. That indicated on the display ok so I set it to switch on in 5 minutes and lo and behold on it came. I have powered it on and off a few times since and it seems ok. Hopefully this isn't the first symptom of some problem.

I share this experience with you in the hope it may help some one else who encounters the same problem.

Ian

1607. RE: [de1103] Degen won't switch on

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-08 10:24:51 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1606 Message: 1607

The case of no response to switch on has happened to me a few times. It has resolved resetting the unit. This problem has usually happened when inserting the AC cable.

Horacio
Uruguay

"ian.campbell99" <ian.campbell99@...> escribi?:
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Horacio Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

Enviado desde Correo Yahoo!
La bandeja de entrada m?s inteligente.

1608. RE: [de1103] Degen won't switch on

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-08 12:09:12 UTC
From: Dominique Kremp
Topic: 1606 Message: 1608

Seems to be a common but very irritating bug indeed. It happened to me 2 or 3 times, I fixed the problem with the reset button.
However I never could find the cause.
Mystery of IC technology !
Have a nice day

Dominique
from Normandy/France

-----Message d'origine-----
De : de1103@...m [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] De la part de ian.campbell99
Envoyé : jeudi 8 mai 2008 11:46
À : de1103@yahoogroups.com
Objet : [de1103] Degen won't switch on

I went to switch on my 1103 this morning and nothing happened. Checked the hold button but it wasn't on hold. The clock was working and showed on the display and the hold button would show a key on the display also when I pressed it but the radio wouldn't play. I tried fresh batteries and then put it on the power pack but no go. I was just thinking about a reset when I thought to try the alarm. That indicated on the display ok so I set it to switch on in 5 minutes and lo and behold on it came. I have powered it on and off a few times since and it seems ok. Hopefully this isn't the first symptom of some problem.

I share this experience with you in the hope it may help some one else who encounters the same problem.

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1609. DC noise when on charge and line-out issue

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-08 20:45:34 UTC
From: rutja76
Topic: 1609 Message: 1609

Hi all!

Despite the subject of this message, let me say that I just got my de1103 and I am really enjoying it. Above all, fantastic audio for such a small and so cheap radio!

Let's go now to the two main points of this message:

1. DC noise when on charge
I can hear a slight DC noise (quite clear if using ear buds) when the radio is attached to the charger. It disappears when on battery. Has someone else experienced the same?

2. Line-out issue
Connecting the line-out to the mic-in of my laptop, the noise in the radio increases incredibly. Is that related to the fact that the input on my laptop in mic-in and not line-in?

I'm sorry if these questions have already been asked before, scrolling the old messages is a quite impractical on Yahoo groups.

Cheers,
Raffa

1610. Re: [de1103] DC noise when on charge and line-out issue

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-09 05:17:27 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1609 Message: 1610

Hi Raffa

Re issue number two. The increase in the noise level would in all likelihood be caused by the processor in your laptop. Computers are a very large source of RF noise.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "rutja76" <raffaello@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, May 09, 2008 8:45 AM
Subject: [de1103] DC noise when on charge and line-out issue

> Hi all!
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> de1103 and I am really enjoying it. Above all, fantastic audio for
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> someone else experienced the same?
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> radio increases incredibly. Is that related to the fact that the input
> on my laptop in mic-in and not line-in?
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> the old messages is a quite impractical on Yahoo groups.
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> Cheers,
> Raffa
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1611. short(ish) introduction

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-09 06:00:18 UTC
From: Kaligus Campbell
Topic: 1611 Message: 1611

I have owned 1 de1103 for just over a year, and 1 (heavily modified) for a few months.

I did not know until reading messages here that there was a difference between the two radios, however modifying the newer radio appears to have been a good theory LOL.

The newer radio has had the whip antenna removed. (I have a spare if someone wants to buy one.) and replaced with a short stub of coax with a bnc end for use with several home brew antennas. Extra hot glue added for stability, and the switch in the antenna jack made solid (soldered in the whip position) and then glued as well.

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Radios: Pro 2006, Pro-93, R2, DE1103, KK-E202
QTH near 40.69N 111.93W
Antennas: stock or home brew long/random wire and loops

1612. Re: [de1103] DC noise when on charge and line-out issue

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-09 05:49:03 UTC
From: Kaligus Campbell
Topic: 1609 Message: 1612

"rutja76" <raffaello@...> wrote:

[deletia]

>1. DC noise when on charge
>I can hear a slight DC noise (quite clear if using ear buds) when the
>radio is attached to the charger. It disappears when on battery. Has
>someone else experienced the same?

I experience this from time to time depending on factors I have not yet
identified (short intro to follow... both radios exhibit this). I assume
there is something to do with battery level, charging level, etc.

>
>2. Line-out issue
>Connecting the line-out to the mic-in of my laptop, the noise in the
>radio increases incredibly. Is that related to the fact that the input
>on my laptop in mic-in and not line-in?

I agree somewhat with the already posted reply.

I have found that of the 7 sound cards I often use the laptop is the most
annoying in this realm.

I have however found that there is far more noise on mic in unless I build
my own cable. Mic in has a pinout (shield)=ground/earth (ring)=5v
(tip)=mic-in. This causes grief with most devices not expecting to have
the non-phantom power applied to them.

In leu of making your own cable, often a bit of fingernail polish carefully
applied in a couple of layers on the (ring)s of the cable does wonderful
things to the noise level

[deletia]

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Radios: Pro 2006, Pro-93, R2, DE1103, KK-E202
QTH near 40.69N 111.93W
Antennas: stock or home brew long/random wire and loops

1613. Re: DC noise when on charge and line-out issue

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-09 09:10:16 UTC
From: rutja76
Topic: 1609 Message: 1613

Hi again

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Kaligus Campbell" <kaligus@...> wrote:
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> I agree somewhat with the already posted reply.
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> I have found that of the 7 sound cards I often use the laptop is the
most
> annoying in this realm.
[cut]

I'll try to be more clear on the mic-in issue I mentioned. The
increased noise I'm talking about comes from the radio, not from the
laptop. I mean, as soon as I plug the line-out of the DE1103 to the
mic-in of the laptop, I hear much more noise coming from the radio
speaker.

Cheers,
Raffa

1614. Re: DC noise when on charge and line-out issue

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-09 19:26:21 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1609 Message: 1614

Please remember ëither using "line-out" or "line-in" the coaxial cable connections between the radio and the computer are always connected (both shared the same commond grounds via the coaxial shields) As a result computer's noises can still passing through and picked up by the radio.
I think you can confirm such by shut down the computer completely (not just in STANDBY mode --- also disconnect all cables --- printers, moderm, ... that hooked up to the questionable computers.) likely the noise was gone --- at leasts weakened.
Please let us know your findings.

> I'll try to be more clear on the mic-in issue I mentioned. The
> increased noise I'm talking about comes from the radio, not from the
> laptop. I mean, as soon as I plug the line-out of the DE1103 to the
> mic-in of the laptop, I hear much more noise coming from the radio
> speaker.
>
> Cheers,
> Raffa
>

1615. Re: [de1103] Re: DC noise when on charge and line-out issue

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-09 20:15:10 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1609 Message: 1615

Hi Raffa,

The noise from the laptop will be picked up by the radio. The noise is an RF signal, to put it another way, the laptop is acting like a transmitter and the noise is being transmitted.

You could try combating the problem by using an audio lead that has filters incorporated in it. I'm not sure if this would work but it could be worth a try.

I have the same problem with computer noise here too, the only way that I can fix the problem is to switch everything off and turn off the power.

This also applies if you have a pay TV decoder, bedside lamps that you can adjust the brightness by touching the lamp's body. In fact any electronic device could be a source of noise.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "rutja76" <raffaello@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, May 09, 2008 9:10 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: DC noise when on charge and line-out issue

> Hi again
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Kaligus Campbell" <kaligus@...> wrote:
> [cut]
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>> I agree somewhat with the already posted reply.
>>
>> I have found that of the 7 sound cards I often use the laptop is the
> most
>> annoying in this realm.
> [cut]
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> I'll try to be more clear on the mic-in issue I mentioned. The
> increased noise I'm talking about comes from the radio, not from the
> laptop. I mean, as soon as I plug the line-out of the DE1103 to the
> mic-in of the laptop, I hear much more noise coming from the radio
> speaker.
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> Cheers,
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1616. Self-oscillating preamp

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-11 19:59:14 UTC
From: kozeluh.rm
Topic: 1616 Message: 1616

Dear friends, I have on my DE1103 following problem. When operating with external antenna (preamplifier is switched off)radio works fine but when using telescopic antenna (preamplifier with Q1 is active) I hear in the signal on SW bands noises like Q1 preamplifier is self-oscillating. Has somebody met similar problem? What would be the best way to fix the self-oscillatng. Any advice would be appreciated.
Thanks, Tom OK1FSX

1618. Re: Self-oscillating preamp

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-12 12:37:30 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1616 Message: 1618

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "kozeluh.rm" <laren.petr@...> wrote:
>
> Dear friends, I have on my DE1103 following problem. When operating
> with external antenna (preamplifier is switched off)radio works
fine
> but when using telescopic antenna (preamplifier with Q1 is active)
I
> hear in the signal on SW bands noises like Q1 preamplifier is self-
> oscillating. Has somebody met similar problem? What would be the
best
> way to fix the self-oscillatng. Any advice would be appreciated.
> Thanks, Tom OK1FSX
>

I'm not sure but it seems to me that the problem is the mixer (Q7, Q8)
self-oscilating.
Try to put a resistor 200 Ohm between G pins of the Q7, Q8.
It also give 50 Ohm impedance to an external antenna that is good.

1619. New 1103-- Some questions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-12 16:56:18 UTC
From: Claudio Leite
Topic: 1619 Message: 1619

Hello,
I just received my first KA1103, which is also my first "real" radio. I've been reading the archives and documents for a few days trying to get a grip on what I might have to do for an optimal experience.

I have one question which I could not find an answer for: should the tone switch work when using line out? It's my impression that it shouldn't, but it certainly is doing something when I try it. I'm not necessarily complaining as SW and talk sounds better on the narrow setting through my speakers, but thought I'd ask anyway.

Additionally, my radio came a bit blemished out of the box. The speaker area has two dents visible under certain angles and the plastic over the LCD has some scratches again visible under certain angles. Is this normal, or an indication I actually received somebody else's returned radio? From what I read QC is a bit questionable with these radios, and since the reception seems OK I am a bit reluctant to exchange it.

Thanks in advance.
-Claudio
Washington, DC

1620. Re: [de1103] New 1103-- Some questions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-12 21:15:31 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1619 Message: 1620

Hi Claudio.

At 13:56 12/05/2008, you wrote:
>I have one question which I could not find an answer for: should the
>tone switch work when using line out? It's my impression that it
>shouldn't, but it certainly is doing something when I try it. I'm not
>necessarily complaining as SW and talk sounds better on the narrow
>setting through my speakers, but thought I'd ask anyway.

The "tone" switch acts as a "pure" tone switch only when you are
tuning to FM (I didn't check if it has any effect on the audio
quality coming out from the "line out" jack).

In fact when tuning to AM (i.e. MW and SW) the switch doubles as a
bandwidth selector, used to change the IF filters. Of course changing
the IF bandwidth has also an effect on the audio quality, and it
should be noticeable even when you listen through the "line out" jack.

Hope this helps

>Additionally, my radio came a bit blemished out of the box. The speaker
>area has two dents visible under certain angles and the plastic over the
>LCD has some scratches again visible under certain angles. Is this
>normal, or an indication I actually received somebody else's returned
>radio? From what I read QC is a bit questionable with these radios, and
>since the reception seems OK I am a bit reluctant to exchange it.

I understand that you purchased a Kaito brand radio, I do not have
experience with them. My two 1103's were purchased from China and
were well packed and had no cosmetic issues. However if you are
willing to pay the overprice that Kaito charges, I think that the
radio should be in pristine condition, or otherwise you can request
an exchange for a new unit in good condition.

Regards,

Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

1621. Re: [de1103] New 1103-- Some questions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-12 23:06:36 UTC
From: Claudio Leite
Topic: 1619 Message: 1621

* Mois?s Knochen (moises.knochen@...) wrote:
> The "tone" switch acts as a "pure" tone switch only when you are
> tuning to FM (I didn't check if it has any effect on the audio
> quality coming out from the "line out" jack).
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> bandwidth selector, used to change the IF filters. Of course changing
> the IF bandwidth has also an effect on the audio quality, and it
> should be noticeable even when you listen through the "line out" jack.
>
> Hope this helps

Yes, thank you.

> I understand that you purchased a Kaito brand radio, I do not have
> experience with them. My two 1103's were purchased from China and
> were well packed and had no cosmetic issues. However if you are
> willing to pay the overprice that Kaito charges, I think that the
> radio should be in pristine condition, or otherwise you can request
> an exchange for a new unit in good condition.

Yes, I purchased the Kaito branded version from Amazon. I just requested
a replacement unit and hopefully since they are a reputable retailer
this will not be a problem. It really looks like a used radio, and now
that I think about it I don't think it was sealed when I opened the box.

Thanks again.
-Claudio

1622. Re: [de1103] New 1103-- Some questions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-13 03:50:57 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1619 Message: 1622

From whom did you buy this Kaito? I would return it. You paid good
money and should not let them walk all over you. Let us know something, Josh

Claudio Leite wrote:
>
> Hello,
> I just received my first KA1103, which is also my first "real" radio.
> I've been reading the archives and documents for a few days trying to
> get a grip on what I might have to do for an optimal experience.
>
> I have one question which I could not find an answer for: should the
> tone switch work when using line out? It's my impression that it
> shouldn't, but it certainly is doing something when I try it. I'm not
> necessarily complaining as SW and talk sounds better on the narrow
> setting through my speakers, but thought I'd ask anyway.
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> Additionally, my radio came a bit blemished out of the box. The speaker
> area has two dents visible under certain angles and the plastic over the
> LCD has some scratches again visible under certain angles. Is this
> normal, or an indication I actually received somebody else's returned
> radio? From what I read QC is a bit questionable with these radios, and
> since the reception seems OK I am a bit reluctant to exchange it.
>
> Thanks in advance.
> -Claudio
> Washington, DC
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> Version: 8.0.100 / Virus Database: 269.23.16/1428 - Release Date: 5/12/2008 7:44 AM
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1623. Re: Self-oscillating preamp

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-13 14:59:15 UTC
From: kozeluh.rm
Topic: 1616 Message: 1623

I tried what Evgeny "wind_nv" advised and the problem is fixed now.
Optimal value of R was about 400ohm.
Thanks Evgeny again.

1624. Re: [de1103] New 1103-- Some questions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-13 15:17:02 UTC
From: Claudio Leite
Topic: 1619 Message: 1624

* Joshua Everett (jbe123@...) wrote:
> From whom did you buy this Kaito? I would return it. You paid good
> money and should not let them walk all over you. Let us know something, Josh
>

I bought it from Amazon. It says "sold by Kaito Electronics, fulfilled by Amazon." The latter meant I got free shipping and the $93 price tag was good compared to other retailers.

As I said on my last post I asked for a replacement but I received this idiotic reply:

... "because Kaito Electronics, Inc. inventory is constantly changing, we can't replace any items sold by Kaito Electronics, Inc. that are Fulfilled by Amazon."

I don't know what inventory isn't constantly changing or why this should matter, but in any case the automated message said I can return the radio. I would hope they pay for the return shipping because it's their fault.

This is my first bad experience from Amazon but has definitely left me soured.

I see there are a lot of Degen-branded models on eBay for export. Does anyone have any experience with these as far as shipping to the US?
I recall reading something about a 220V-only power adapter; I wouldn't much use the AC and I can buy a replacement easily so if that's the only concern it won't be a problem.

Thanks again.
-Claudio

1625. Re: [de1103] New 1103-- Some questions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-13 19:03:29 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1619 Message: 1625

I think this might be a case for intervention via landline if you can locate
a phone number .... I would have thought Amazon's remark would be against
any consumer guarantee laws you have.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "Claudio Leite" <de1103@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 3:17 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] New 1103-- Some questions

>* Joshua Everett (jbe123@...) wrote:
>> From whom did you buy this Kaito? I would return it. You paid good
>> money and should not let them walk all over you. Let us know something,
>> Josh
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> by Amazon." The latter meant I got free shipping and the $93 price tag
> was good compared to other retailers.
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> idiotic reply:
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> we can't replace any items sold by Kaito Electronics, Inc. that are
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> I recall reading something about a 220V-only power adapter; I wouldn't
> much use the AC and I can buy a replacement easily so if that's the only
> concern it won't be a problem.
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> Thanks again.
> -Claudio
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1626. Re: [de1103] New 1103-- Some questions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-13 19:57:34 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1619 Message: 1626

Call Kaito and talk to Walter Zhao. 1-866 KAITO76

Claudio Leite wrote:
>
> * Joshua Everett (jbe123@... <mailto:jbe123%40charter.net>) wrote:
> > From whom did you buy this Kaito? I would return it. You paid good
> > money and should not let them walk all over you. Let us know
> something, Josh
> >
>
> I bought it from Amazon. It says "sold by Kaito Electronics, fulfilled
> by Amazon." The latter meant I got free shipping and the $93 price tag
> was good compared to other retailers.
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> As I said on my last post I asked for a replacement but I received this
> idiotic reply:
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> ... "because Kaito Electronics, Inc. inventory is constantly changing,
> we can't replace any items sold by Kaito Electronics, Inc. that are
> Fulfilled by Amazon."
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> concern it won't be a problem.
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> Thanks again.
> -Claudio
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1627. Re: New 1103-- Some questions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-13 18:12:39 UTC
From: perontoj
Topic: 1619 Message: 1627

Call Kaito and ask for Lee in sales. He was very helpful with a similar problem I had and is great to work with. I think they would be happy to help you out. My KA1103 that I got from them is a great performer.

-- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Claudio Leite <de1103@...> wrote:
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> * Joshua Everett (jbe123@...) wrote:
> > From whom did you buy this Kaito? I would return it. You paid good
> > money and should not let them walk all over you. Let us know something, Josh
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> I bought it from Amazon. It says "sold by Kaito Electronics, fulfilled
> by Amazon." The latter meant I got free shipping and the $93 price tag
> was good compared to other retailers.
>
> As I said on my last post I asked for a replacement but I received this
> idiotic reply:
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> we can't replace any items sold by Kaito Electronics, Inc. that are
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> radio. I would hope they pay for the return shipping because it's their
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> soured.
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> I see there are a lot of Degen-branded models on eBay for export. Does
> anyone have any experience with these as far as shipping to the US?
> I recall reading something about a 220V-only power adapter; I wouldn't

> much use the AC and I can buy a replacement easily so if that's the
only
> concern it won't be a problem.
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> Thanks again.
> -Claudio
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1628. Re: [de1103] New 1103-- Some questions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-17 02:52:46 UTC
From: Kaligus Campbell
Topic: 1619 Message: 1628

Claudio Leite <de1103@...> wrote:
>
>Hello,
> I just received my first KA1103, which is also my first "real" radio.
>I've been reading the archives and documents for a few days trying to
>get a grip on what I might have to do for an optimal experience.

Welcome :) (not that I am the official welcome waggon [giggle])

>
> I have one question which I could not find an answer for: should the
>tone switch work when using line out? It's my impression that it
>shouldn't, but it certainly is doing something when I try it. I'm not
>necessarily complaining as SW and talk sounds better on the narrow
>setting through my speakers, but thought I'd ask anyway.

Both of my Degen branded 1103's the tone switch affects everything, my
manual states that to be the case IIRC.

>
> Additionally, my radio came a bit blemished out of the box. The speaker
>area has two dents visible under certain angles and the plastic over the
>LCD has some scratches again visible under certain angles. Is this
>normal, or an indication I actually received somebody else's returned
>radio? From what I read QC is a bit questionable with these radios, and
>since the reception seems OK I am a bit reluctant to exchange it.

Radio #1 came blemished and a little tooth PASTE and a soft microfiber
cloth did the trick. Radio #2 came perfect and that is the one I blemished
with mods LOL.

No idea but for the cost of #1 (friend brought it back from China directly
in his pocket) I would not complain even if it has not been otherwise fully
functional.
#2 is an ebay special I expected to be used "as advertised" but I cant find
where or how it was used, including the packaging. "better than
advertised" for once.

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>Thanks in advance.
>-Claudio
> Washington, DC
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QTH near 40.69N 111.93W
Antennas: stock or home brew long/random wire and loops

1629. Re: New 1103-- Some questions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-17 12:06:03 UTC
From: josephlevy
Topic: 1619 Message: 1629

Hello claudio
> > I have one question which I could not find an answer for: should the
> >tone switch work when using line out? It's my impression that it
> >shouldn't, but it certainly is doing something when I try it. I'm not
> >necessarily complaining as SW and talk sounds better on the narrow
> >setting through my speakers, but thought I'd ask anyway.

The "tone control" is actually "narrow wide" switch that changes a
filter in the IF and thus the bandwidth and yes, will affect the sound
on the line output (exactly as intended)

de Joe

1630. Re: [de1103] 1103 Field Test

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-17 19:43:40 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1619 Message: 1630

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>
> Last night I plugged my amplfied "Tiny Tenna" into my 1103, tossed the
> antenna wire down the stairs, ran the audio from the audio out jack
> through an audio isolation transformer and into my iMac G4 via a
> usb/audio port and into CocoaModem 2.0, where I successfully decoded
> regional PSK31 transmissions with minimal difficulty off of the 80
> meter band.

Not at all bad for a $49.99 radio and $65 worth of components. The 1103
probably will never be mistaken for a communications receiver, but with
a good antenna in the right conditions, with a pre-selector and a bit of
luck, it still might be really useful.

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM
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1631. RDS and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-23 16:58:42 UTC
From: keimolantio
Topic: 1631 Message: 1631

For FM-dxing it would be a great thing to connect an RDS-decoder to de1103. Has anyone succeeded to make a such connection and what hardware is in use ?
Br: Keimo

1632. Re: [de1103] RDS and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-25 07:39:39 UTC
From: Kaligus Campbell
Topic: 1631 Message: 1632

"keimolantio" <keimolantio@...> wrote:
>
>For FM-dxing it would be a great thing to connect an RDS-decoder to
>de1103. Has anyone succeeded to make a such connection and what
>hardware is in use ?
>Br: Keimo

I have not specifically done any RDS (yet), and I believe that you need an fm radio with MPX output which I dont think the 1103 has (and would love to be proven wrong, I inherited an RBDS decoder similar to http://www.techdesign.be/projects/021/021.htm I was planning on playing with this weekend).

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Radios: Pro 2006, Pro-93, R2, DE1103, KK-E202
QTH near 40.69N 111.93W
Antennas: stock or home brew long/random wire and loops

1633. Re: RDS and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-25 17:20:22 UTC
From: dino_lnz
Topic: 1631 Message: 1633

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Kaligus Campbell" <kaligus@...> wrote:
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> "keimolantio" <keimolantio@...> wrote:
> >
> >For FM-dxing it would be a great thing to connect an RDS-decoder to
> >de1103. Has anyone succeeded to make a such connection and what
> >hardware is in use ?

Regarding RDS, look at this site. There are nice pictures but no
tecnical details about this modification using an external device.
The site is in Italian language.
http://www.fmdx.altervista.org/articles.php?lng=it&pg=510
http://www.fmdx.altervista.org/articles.php?lng=it&pg=386
http://www.fmdx.altervista.org/articles.php?lng=it&pg=420

There is also a RDS decoding software at:
http://home.scarlet.be/~wijnherm/rdsdxdownload.htm

I have not done hany modification yet on my 1103.
Ciao, Dino

1634. New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-27 10:10:37 UTC
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343 Message: 1634

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the de1103
group.

File : /TDA7330.GIF
Uploaded by : krysatec <krysatec@...>
Description : RDS decoder

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/TDA7330.GIF

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/l/us/yahoo/groups/original/members/web/index.htmlfiles

Regards,

krysatec <krysatec@...>

1635. Re: RDS and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-27 10:23:50 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 1631 Message: 1635

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "keimolantio" <keimolantio@...> wrote:
>
> For FM-dxing it would be a great thing to connect an RDS-decoder to
> de1103. Has anyone succeeded to make a such connection and what
> hardware is in use ?
> Br: Keimo
>

Hi,

you can use decoder in "files" with TDA7330 , signal for decoder is
from pin 19 of TA2057 via capacitor cca 15n.

Use EXTERNAL 12V power supply, not from computer comport! (It is
better...)

Attention!!!

For connection and cable to computer read:

http://home.scarlet.be/~wijnherm/rdsdxhardware.htm

Now you can use software RDSDX:

http://home.scarlet.be/~wijnherm/rdsdxdownload.htm

Software work very good, but you must use WIDE filter than 150kHz
in 10,7MHz IF in Degen!

Some picture of software for instance here:

http://krysatec.benghi.org/phprs/images/
200606111642_iviewcapture_date_11_06_2006_time_16_40_46.png

1636. New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-27 10:27:03 UTC
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343 Message: 1636

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the de1103
group.

File : /TDA7330.PDF
Uploaded by : krysatec <krysatec@...>
Description : TDA7330 datasheet

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/TDA7330.PDF

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/l/us/yahoo/groups/original/members/web/index.htmlfiles

Regards,

krysatec <krysatec@...>

1637. RDS and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-05-27 10:31:18 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 1631 Message: 1637

Hi all,

I use RDS decoder (home made with TDA7330) cca 2 years with software RDSDX. (Dell, pentium PIII, 550MHz, winxp).

It work very good also for FM DX from Italy, Spain etc... (I live in Czechia and I use HB9CV antenna or dipole for FM DXing)

Best regards, Jara Rat

1638. New Member/Owner Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-01 13:03:18 UTC
From: skysensor
Topic: 1638 Message: 1638

I received a new DE1103 about two weeks ago, direct from one of the Chinese "big 2" sellers. Though I am a licensed ham, I am inactive, and I was looking for a radio mainly for monitoring world band radio. A form factor that eased use during my frequent camping trips would be a plus.

Following some internet research, I more or less zeroed-in on the DE1102 or DE1103 (or Kaito equivalent). I was concerned about the fairly negative comments/reviews about the 1103s ergonomics, and also considered the E5/G5. In the end, I ordered the DE1103 because even if I found the ergonomics to be truly objectionable, it ought to be easy to sell due to the positive reviews of it's performance. In spite of my reservations about ordering direct from overseas, I took a chance (as they say: "Columbus did, and they named a city after him..."). I have actually ordered multiple items over the years from the Far East, and have never had a problem, but I also recongnized that in an electronic device like the DE1103, the chances for issues were somewhat higher.

The package arrived, and I was surprised to find it packed in it's original box, in a padded airmail envelope (not double boxed). Though there was some very minor corner crushing (of the box) evident, the contents were undamaged. I was just slightly disappointed with the two light scratches (visible only at certain angles) in the display, as they might have been avoided by a protective layer of adhesive plastic commonly found on like products (but not on this one). With a display this large, you'd think it would be better protected "pre-consumer". Still, a minor quibble.

Popped in the batteries, plugged in the AC adapter (marked, curiously, 110V/50Hz). The clock displayed 0:00. Quickly adjusted the time, and hit the power button. Nothing. Again. Nothing. Found a paper clip, and reset the radio. Power button. Nothing. I pulled the batteries and tried the unit with AC only, unsure if the batteries must be present or not. No luck, and actually, the clock faded and disappeared.

Getting somewhat upset now, I put the batteries in my smart charger, where one of the four cells was not recognized (meaning: dead/dud/would not take a charge). So I replaced the supplied cells (cheap 1300 mAh units anyway, so no real loss) with some 2000 mAh hybrids on-hand). Radio powered up with no problem. I spend some time acquainting myself with the operation of the unit.

Eventually, I try to set the recharge timer. Unsuccessfully. Following the instructions, I am unable to get the radio to allow me

to set the timer. I suspect a problem with the radio recognizing the DC in. I remove the (good) batteries, and try powering the unit on AC again, but no luck. OK, so either a bad adapter or something bad in the DC in circuit. Unfortunately, I didn't have a matching wall wart (and couldn't find my multimeter), so I took a trip to Radio Shack to pick-up a universal adapter. Radio (and internal charger) functioned normally with the universal, confirming a bad adapter. Based upon other reports here, this is not an isolated incident. I emailed the seller, who stated he would send a replacement. We'll see how the new one works out when I receive it.

If the 110V unit was substituted for the original 220V prior to shipment, you'd think that the seller would take the opportunity to ensure it was functional before shipping it halfway around the world (I mean, it would be nice to achieve 100% quality, but that is a little unrealistic). Simple testing prior to shipping would have avoided some pain on my end (not to mention the expense of replacement on his end).

If the above sounds like a negative experience, I like to clarify by saying I'm actually quite happy with the radio. It performs very well, and honestly, I don't find the ergonomics in the least bit hostile. Just a few sessions with the radio and everything comes together. The only thing I can't understand is the default volume level (after reset): seems like it may be high enough to actually damage the speaker. I typically listen at a volume setting of 10 to 12. Can't imagine trying to listen in an environment that would require 40(!) to be heard.

If you've been considering the purchase of this radio, my advice is to sharply discount any negative comments you've read about it's ergonomics. They are vastly overblown, in my opinion.

Now looking ahead...how does everybody feel about the RP2100? :)

Mark

1639. Re: New Member/Owner Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-01 17:06:06 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1638 Message: 1639

You must have read the review in Passport to World Band Radio or else calling the ergonomics hostile is an incredible coincidence.

I have the Kaito version, which I bought on eBay from a seller in the USA almost exactly a year ago. I keep reading about the default volume level "problem" but mine never did that or anything else wrong. My only gripe is that the grill is a bit flimsy. I handle mine very gently when taking it on trips but it has developed two dents in the grill. It is an incredible bargain. A few months earlier I bought a Sony ICF-SW7600GR. I thought I was happy with it until I bought the Kaito. I almost never use it any more.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "skysensor" <skysensor@...> wrote:

> honestly, I don't find the ergonomics in the least bit
> hostile. Just a few sessions with the radio and everything comes
> together. The only thing I can't understand is the default volume
> level (after reset): seems like it may be high enough to actually
> damage the speaker. I typically listen at a volume setting of 10 to
> 12. Can't imagine trying to listen in an environment that would
> require 40(!) to be heard.
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> If you've been considering the purchase of this radio, my advice is
> to sharply discount any negative comments you've read about it's
> ergonomics. They are vastly overblown, in my opinion.
>
> Now looking ahead...how does everybody feel about the RP2100? :)
>
> Mark

1640. Re: New Member/Owner Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-01 21:28:50 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1638 Message: 1640

I have had mine since early February, and it is an excellent radio for its price point. It would be interesting to see what Degen could do with a radio that sold for $149.99.

As a southpaw, it is awkward to manipulate the jog dial, so I turn the radio on its side, or
just use the keypad.

What would be nice would be the ability to "define" a band between any two points in its range and have that displayed, so you could program a 30 meter, 40 meter band. That would make it a bit easier to dial in on data or ssb transmissions.

The speaker grill is a tad fragile and has gotten dinged quite easily. I've had to reset the
radio most times that I change batteries, and the volume does go to 40 on mine in a reset.

Here in Western Washington I get Australian, New Zealand, Japanese and Chinese stations on a regular basis. I do wish that the radio were better shielded, because a few of the am stations bleed through and appear on either lf or shortwave bands.

Any suggestions to fix the bleed through?

Thanks

Gordon Cooper
Bremerton WA USA

1641. Re: [de1103] New Member/Owner Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-02 04:15:13 UTC
From: Kaligus Campbell
Topic: 1638 Message: 1641

"skysensor" <skysensor@...> wrote:
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[deletia]

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>If the 110V unit was substituted for the original 220V prior to
>shipment, you'd think that the seller would take the opportunity to
>ensure it was functional before shipping it halfway around the world
>(I mean, it would be nice to achieve 100% quality, but that is a
>little unrealistic). Simple testing prior to shipping would have
>avoided some pain on my end (not to mention the expense of
>replacement on his end).

FWIW this may be difficult in some countries, I have found several
electronic items which the common consumer user has no clue what "all of
those numbers" mean as well.

>
>If the above sounds like a negative experience, I like to clarify by
>saying I'm actually quite happy with the radio. It performs very
>well, and honestly, I don't find the ergonomics in the least bit
>hostile. Just a few sessions with the radio and everything comes
>together. The only thing I can't understand is the default volume
>level (after reset): seems like it may be high enough to actually
>damage the speaker. I typically listen at a volume setting of 10 to
>12. Can't imagine trying to listen in an environment that would
>require 40(!) to be heard.

Agreed on the volume, and after blasting my brains onto the floor, I now
ALWAYS check the volume before plugging in the phones O-o.

The ergonomics in my view are actually closer to perfect than many other
radios. My only complaints now would be:

1) need to follow instructions in the file section of this group for
seamless tuning. (The extend coverage instructions followed by saving a few
choice starting points and starting a "scan" from those)

2) would like computer to memory interface.

3) would like to be able to set a top and bottom and "scan" between those
looping at the ends.

I currently partly get around #2 and #3 using my Icom R5 on the same
antenna, usually gets me close enough to find what I am looking for. (now
lets talk about nearly unusable ergonomics ;) designed by drunken monkeys

and implemented by their hairless cousins in the same state of being)

[deletia]

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Radios: Pro 2006, Pro-93, R2, DE1103, KK-E202
QTH near 40.69N 111.93W
Antennas: stock or home brew long/random wire and loops

1642. HANDBOOK FOR THE NEW GRUNDIG 750

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-02 19:46:27 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1642 Message: 1642

Dear friends:

I got the information of the handbook for the new Grundig
750 from james-joseph:

http://www.etoncorp.com/upload/contents/307/GS750_Manual.pdf

I hope it be a good news for you all. Best regards,

Carlos Vargas Vidal
Panamá

1643. Button Lock

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-03 16:56:23 UTC
From: skysensor
Topic: 1643 Message: 1643

I ordered the fake leather case along with the radio. I've been irritated to discover three times over the past 2 to 3 weeks that the radio has been accidently turned on while in the case, indicating future potential to drain the batteries while in storage. I was thinking that it would be better if the power button was somehow recessed or otherwise protected.

Playing with the button lock, I was happy to discover that it also works to prevent the unit from being turned on, so this goes some distance toward eliminating the problem. As it is smaller, somewhat protected and requires more than a momentary touch, the odds of accidently disengaging the button lock and then powering on should be minimal.

1644. Re: RDS and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-04 07:49:29 UTC
From: keimolantio
Topic: 1631 Message: 1644

Hi !
Thanks for your answer !
Have you any experience on Puskas Barnabas decoder and does it work
with rdsdx ?
http://home.pi.be/~wijnherm/deco.html

Connection to computer is in both decoders is bit strange.
Because the data is fed to D9-pin number 6.
Normally in D9(rs232) incoming data is taken to RxD.
In your model you have also used the pin 14 (TA7330), with
transistor/Led from D9-TxD signal, what this ?

Do you have a circuit board picture for your decoder ?

BR

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Jara" <krysatec@...> wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "keimolantio" <keimolantio@> wrote:
> >
> > For FM-dxing it would be a great thing to connect an RDS-decoder
to
> > de1103. Has anyone succeeded to make a such connection and what
> > hardware is in use ?
> > Br: Keimo
> >
>
> Hi,
>
> you can use decoder in "files" with TDA7330 , signal for decoder is
> from pin 19 of TA2057 via capacitor cca 15n.
>
> Use EXTERNAL 12V power supply, not from computer comport! (It is
> better...)
>
> Attention!!!
>
> For connection and cable to computer read:
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> http://home.scarlet.be/~wijnherm/rdsdxhardware.htm
>
> Now you can use software RDSDX:
>
> http://home.scarlet.be/~wijnherm/rdsdxdownload.htm
>
> Software work very good, but you must use WIDE filter than 150kHz

> in 10,7MHz IF in Degen!
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> Some picture of software for instance here:
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> http://krysatec.benghi.org/phprs/images/
> 200606111642_iviewcapture_date_11_06_2006_time_16_40_46.png
>

1645. Re:Button Lock

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-04 13:24:47 UTC
From: Sam Barrett
Topic: 1643 Message: 1645

Yes, I also find the Lock button to be useful. Not much is worse than opening your suitcase after a flight and finding the radio turned on. Since I have begun to lock the radio prior to packing it, I haven't had a single repeat of the radio coming on during travel

Sam

1646. Re: New Member/Owner Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-04 18:45:35 UTC
From: des_belges
Topic: 1638 Message: 1646

-There is a procedure translated from radiscanner.ru on this message group that indicates a bunch of modifications to improve this alreday great radio. Look for it in the files section.

1647. Re: New Member/Owner Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-04 18:51:11 UTC
From: des_belges
Topic: 1638 Message: 1647

I have bought two of the Degen 1103s. The first one was flawless. The second has a few minor problems. The charger supplied did not work, and a few of the squares which surround the frequency band you are in did not come on the display. The display problem is a minor irritant since you can figure out which band you are in by looking at the frequency readout. The charger is a Piece of Junk, and it is not worth returning it, since the cost of a new one is les than shipping it back to Hong-Kong. I do not use it anyway, preferring to use a good quality charger (LaCrosse) instead of a cheap time based charger. I prefer this radio to the excellent Sony 7600GR, since I love to using a rotary tuner. Enjoy! I have bought a third radio as gift, and will let the group know how the quality stands up.

1648. Re: [de1103] Re: New Member/Owner Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-04 19:02:32 UTC
From: Stephen Mangum
Topic: 1638 Message: 1648

I think you mean http://radioscanner.ru/

RADIscanner.ru has been domain-squatted.

On 04/06/2008, des_belges <luigi.sain@...> wrote:
> -There is a procedure translated from radiscanner.ru on this message
> group that indicates a bunch of modifications to improve this alreday
> great radio. Look for it in the files section.
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Stephen

1649. Re: New Member/Owner Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-05 03:18:22 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1638 Message: 1649

I bought a Sony 7600GR about four months before I got my Kaito 1103. I've hardly used it since. The synchronous detection is a major disappointment. It is nowhere near as good as the Sony ICF-2010, which I've just started using again. There was a major problem with the display that I thought would be expensive to fix but I was able to fix it myself for free.

My only gripe with the Kaito 1103 is that the grill is flimsy. I try to baby my radios but after a couple of trips (stored in it's carrying case when not in use) there are two dents.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "des_belges" <luigi.sain@...> wrote:
>
> I have bought two of the Degen 1103s. The first one was flawless. The
> second has a few minor problems. The charger supplied did not work,
> and a few of the squares which surround the frequency band you are in
> did not come on the display. The display problem is a minor irritant
> since you can figure out which band you are in by looking at the
> frequency readout. The charger is a Piece of Junk, and it is not worth
> returning it, since the cost of a new one is les than shipping it back
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> this radio to the excellent Sony 7600GR, since I love to using a
> rotary tuner. Enjoy! I have bought a third radio as gift, and
> will let the group know how the quality stands up.

1650. Re: RDS and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-05 19:04:36 UTC
From: keimolantio
Topic: 1631 Message: 1650

Hi !
As a matter of fact I now have experience on Puskas Barnabas decoder.
I am just testing it and works fine.
Quite cheap and easy to build.
4.332 Mhz crystal was bit difficult to find.
Finally I soldered it out from an demolished car stereo that had RDS.
Rdsdx-program work together with decoder nicely.
Important is to note that RS232 D9-connection is bit different
with rdsdx and other DOS-programs.
PC is Fujitsu/Siemens with AMD sempron and XP.
Br

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "keimolantio" <keimolantio@...> wrote:
>
> Hi !
> Thanks for your answer !
> Have you any experience on Puskas Barnabas decoder and does it work
> with rdsdx ?
> http://home.pi.be/~wijnherm/deco.html

1651. Re: New Member/Owner Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-07 14:59:45 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 1638 Message: 1651

The grill on my DE1103 is the dull mauve color and when I received it the color had faded streaks here and there. It looked like someone used too much solvent to remove the glue used to cement the grill in place. After about a year, the grill started to separate from the case along the upper edge near the three buttons and around left hand edge near the middle. I'm just waiting for it to come loose a little more so I can use a pin to get some crazy glue or epoxy cement in there to fix it in place. I don't want to open it up, so I will wait until I can fix it from the outside.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Dennis Gibson" <wb6tnb@...> wrote:
>
> I bought a Sony 7600GR about four months before I got my Kaito 1103.
> I've hardly used it since. The synchronous detection is a major
> disappointment. It is nowhere near as good as the Sony ICF-2010, which
> I've just started using again. There was a major problem with the
> display that I thought would be expensive to fix but I was able to fix
> it myself for free.
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> My only gripe with the Kaito 1103 is that the grill is flimsy. I try
> to baby my radios but after a couple of trips (stored in it's carrying
> case when not in use) there are two dents.
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "des_belges" <luigi.sain@> wrote:
> >
> > I have bought two of the Degen 1103s. The first one was flawless. The
> > second has a few minor problems. The charger supplied did not work,
> > and a few of the squares which surround the frequency band you are in
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>

1652. Re: Button Lock

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-07 15:07:44 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 1643 Message: 1652

I ended up getting a Pelican 1060 micro case to carry my radio. Actually I use it for my DE1107 radio (same size) at work. It has a clear lid so I can see inside if anything gets pinched when I close the lid, and I use a small mirco cloth inside for padding. It works perfect.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "skysensor" <skysensor@...> wrote:
>
> I ordered the fake leather case along with the radio. I've been
> irritated to discover three times over the past 2 to 3 weeks that the
> radio has been accidently turned on while in the case, indicating
> future potential to drain the batteries while in storage. I was
> thinking that it would be better if the power button was somehow
> recessed or otherwise protected.
>
> Playing with the button lock, I was happy to discover that it also
> works to prevent the unit from being turned on, so this goes some
> distance toward eliminating the problem. As it is smaller, somewhat
> protected and requires more than a momentary touch, the odds of
> accidently disengaging the button lock and then powering on should be
> minimal.
>

1653. Re: New Member/Owner Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-08 18:04:40 UTC
From: skysensor
Topic: 1638 Message: 1653

A follow-up to report the resolution of my issue with a bad AC adapter:

Once I was able to confirm the issue was, in fact, a bad AC adapter, I emailed liypn to report the problem. I received a response about a day later, apologizing for the problem and informing me that a replacement would be sent the following day. I received the new adapter (in the midwestern US) about 8 days later (approximately the same amount of time it took to receive the radio). The new adapter works as expected.

I'm very happy with resolution of the issue. I'm sure I would have been less happy had it been necessary to return something overseas, but that's the risk I chose to bear when deciding to purchase.

Mark

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "skysensor" <skysensor@...> wrote:
>
> OK, so either a bad adapter or something bad
> in the DC in circuit. Unfortunately, I didn't have a matching wall
> wart (and couldn't find my multimeter), so I took a trip to Radio
> Shack to pick-up a universal adapter. Radio (and internal charger)
> functioned normally with the universal, confirming a bad adapter.
> Based upon other reports here, this is not an isolated incident. I
> emailed the seller, who stated he would send a replacement. We'll
> see how the new one works out when I receive it.
>

1654. Re: New Member/Owner Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-09 15:31:17 UTC
From: John Miller
Topic: 1638 Message: 1654

Mark:

Was this 1103 an e-bay purchase ? as I just purchased one from e-bay seller
Tao Qu (eBay_tquchina (to arrive next week) so was wondering.

73

John

1655. Re: New Member/Owner Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-09 17:11:52 UTC
From: skysensor
Topic: 1638 Message: 1655

Yes, it was an eBay purchase through liypn. I have also exchanged emails with Tao Qu and would feel confident dealing with that seller.

Mark

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "John Miller" <aksafety@...> wrote:
>
> Mark:
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>
> Was this 1103 an e-bay purchase ? as I just purchased one from e-bay seller
> Tao Qu (eBay_tquchina (to arrive next week) so was wondering.
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>
>
> 73
>
>
>
> John
>

1656. Re: [de1103] Re: New Member/Owner Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-09 19:54:50 UTC
From: Claudio Leite
Topic: 1638 Message: 1656

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* John Miller (aksafety@...) wrote:
> Was this 1103 an e-bay purchase ? as I just purchased one from e-bay seller
> Tao Qu (eBay_tquchina (to arrive next week) so was wondering.

I bought my radio recently from Tao Qu and had a smooth transaction. I
got the correct 110/60 power adapter and had no issues.

-Claudio
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1657. Re: [de1103] Re: New Member/Owner Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-09 21:05:15 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1638 Message: 1657

He is a great seller and nice guy!
----- Original Message -----
From: Claudio Leite
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, June 09, 2008 3:54 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: New Member/Owner Experience

* John Miller (aksafety@...) wrote:
> Was this 1103 an e-bay purchase ? as I just purchased one from e-bay seller
> Tao Qu (eBay_tquchina (to arrive next week) so was wondering.

I bought my radio recently from Tao Qu and had a smooth transaction. I
got the correct 110/60 power adapter and had no issues.

-Claudio

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Version: 8.0.100 / Virus Database: 270.0.0/1491 - Release Date: 6/9/2008 6:52 AM

1658. Wire antenna Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-10 15:12:08 UTC
From: John Miller
Topic: 1658 Message: 1658

I believe the 1103 "package" includes a wire ant (not sure of length)

any member had any experience using this over the whip for DX'ing?

73

John

1659. Re: Wire antenna Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-10 16:51:22 UTC
From: oceansblue_biz
Topic: 1658 Message: 1659

I recommend a balun when using a wire antenna to help keep a static charge from the front end of the receiver.

Rob

1660. Re: [de1103] Wire antenna Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-10 19:02:38 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1658 Message: 1660

John Miller wrote:
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> any member had any experience using this over the whip for DX?ing?
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> 73
>
> John
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>
> Messages in this topic
> <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/message/1658;_ylc=X3oDMTM1MjJzaTI5BF9TAzk3MzU5NzE0BGdycElkAzE3MDMyMDY3BGdycHNwSWQDMTcwODM5NjM3OQRtc2dJZAMxNjU4BHNlYwNmdHIEc2xrA3Z0cGMEc3RpbWUDMTIxMzExMDczNgR0cGNJZAMxNjU4>
> (1)
> <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/post;_ylc=X3oDMTJxOXR1OXZiBF9TAzk3MzU5NzE0BGdycElkAzE3MDMyMDY3BGdycHNwSWQDMTcwODM5NjM3OQRtc2dJZAMxNjU4BHNlYwNmdHIEc2xrA3JwbHkEc3RpbWUDMTIxMzExMDczNg--?act=reply&messageNum=1658>
Yes, the wire wins, but it is very flimsy. I stepped on mine and broke
it. I am using the "Tiny Tenna" and indoor 40' reel, which works nicely
here in the Northwest.

Gordon Cooper

1661. Re: [de1103] Wire antenna Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-12 17:19:28 UTC
From: Claudio Leite
Topic: 1658 Message: 1661

* John Miller (aksafety@...) wrote:
> I believe the 1103 "package" includes a wire ant (not sure of length)
>
> any member had any experience using this over the whip for DX'ing?

I have mine running from my second story window to the fence across my tiny back yard, and this works better for me than the whip by a long shot. It picks up a lot of noise but that's to be expected here in the city especially with all the alley, street and stop lights nearby.

Out of curiosity, could anyone tell me how the wire in the antenna is connected? I'd like to make something similar but longer to try out in the countryside sometime. I'd like to see if I can get DX on LW with some 500' of wire. Is it just a single conductor connected to the center of the 1/8" plug?

Thanks.
-Claudio
Wash. DC, US

1662. Re: [de1103] Wire antenna Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-12 22:49:41 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1658 Message: 1662

You should have to use a balun to match impedances otherwise the receiver will overload badly and likely destroy the front-end FET. This happened to me twice. Do not forget the diode protection betwenn antenna and receiver!!

Horacio Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

--- El jue, 12/6/08, Claudio Leite <de1103@...> escribió:

De: Claudio Leite <de1103@leitec.co.uk>
Asunto: Re: [de1103] Wire antenna Experience
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: jueves, 12 junio, 2008 3:19

* John Miller (aksafety@ctcweb. net) wrote:
> I believe the 1103 "package" includes a wire ant (not sure of length)
>
> any member had any experience using this over the whip for DX'ing?

I have mine running from my second story window to the fence across my tiny back yard, and this works better for me than the whip by a long shot. It picks up a lot of noise but that's to be expected here in the city especially with all the alley, street and stop lights nearby.

Out of curiosity, could anyone tell me how the wire in the antenna is connected? I'd like to make something similar but longer to try out in the countryside sometime. I'd like to see if I can get DX on LW with some 500' of wire. Is it just a single conductor connected to the center of the 1/8" plug?

Thanks.
-Claudio
Wash. DC, US

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1663. Tecsun PL600

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-12 23:01:20 UTC
From: skysensor
Topic: 1663 Message: 1663

Anybody here played with a Tecsun PL600 yet?

Seems to be a form factor similar to the 1103, and I wonder how it stacks up.

Mark

1664. Re: [de1103] Wire antenna Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-13 09:37:59 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1658 Message: 1664

Mine handled signals when adjacent to two masts that carried about 6 local MW stations.

I would have thought that by adding the balun, if anything, with an improved impedance match, signals would have been stronger.

Paul

NZ

----- Original Message -----
From: Horacio Nigro
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, June 13, 2008 10:49 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Wire antenna Experience

You should have to use a balun to match impedances otherwise the receiver will overload badly and likely destroy the front-end FET. This happened to me twice. Do not forget the diode protection betwenn antenna and receiver!!

Horacio Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

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Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: jueves, 12 junio, 2008 3:19

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Thanks.
-Claudio

Wash. DC, US

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1665. Re: [de1103] Wire antenna Experience

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-13 17:10:04 UTC
From: Claudio Leite
Topic: 1658 Message: 1665

* Horacio Nigro (hanigrodx@...) wrote:
> You should have to use a balun to match impedances otherwise the receiver will overload badly and likely destroy the front-end FET. This happened to me twice. Do not forget the diode protection betwenn antenna and receiver!!
>

Thanks for the warning! I printed out and read the balun docs in the "Files" section. I'm unclear on how to connect the coax to the DE1103. What is the expected impedance on the antenna jack input? I've seen BNC-to-1/8" adapters before so if it's close to 50 ohms I can just use that.

Additionally, on an application like I described, with a temporary very long wire out in the country somewhere, I probably wouldn't be using coax at any point. What's the best way to go about that without risking damage to the receiver?

Thanks!
-Claudio

1666. Balun/diode recomendations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-13 17:36:00 UTC
From: John Miller
Topic: 1666 Message: 1666

Any recommendations on a balun or diode protection?

Universal Radio has several but they all seem designed for a larger and longer wire antenna.

I agree the static issue and damage to an FET could be a problem

73

John

1667. Re: [de1103] Balun/diode recomendations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-13 17:51:30 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1666 Message: 1667

John Miller wrote:
>
> Any recommendations on a balun or diode protection?
>
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>
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> and longer wire antenna.
>
>
>
> I agree the static issue and damage to an FET could be a problem
>
>
>
> 73
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>
>
> John
>
>
Kiwa electronics will install some audio upgrades to the DE1103 along with an FET that should protect the front end against many overload situations. Of course, simply turning off the radio and sticking it into a metal box with no antenna should protect it in most situations, but not all. Lightning is simply too unpredictable around small electronics. When I lived in Houston, we would have close strikes on a regular basis, and many of these tripped our fire alarms. You got used to it after a while.

73
Gordon
KE7RYM

1668. Re: Tecsun PL600

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-14 04:09:31 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1663 Message: 1668

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "skysensor" <skysensor@...> wrote:
>
> Anybody here played with a Tecsun PL600 yet?
>
> Seems to be a form factor similar to the 1103, and I wonder how it
> stacks up.
>
> Mark
>

I think according to radioscanner.ru's reviews the radio is made of de1103 with some adaptations from radioscanner.ru :)
For example: Avia band is the same that I made in my DE1103, just using morror channel (f_osc-f_IF = 0.1-30MHz, f_osc+f_IF = about 112-148 MHz). PL600 just has a normal display of a frequency of the band, has no good input pass filter. So, i think it is good radio like de1103 and has the same problems. :)

1669. Re: Tecsun PL600

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-14 21:47:13 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1663 Message: 1669

Tecsun and Degen are two completely different manufactures (just as different as Toyata vs Honda) Will not expect their characters are similar.

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> has no good input pass filter. So, i think it is good radio like
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1670. Re: [de1103] Re: Tecsun PL600

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-15 01:46:03 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1663 Message: 1670

Wrong, Degen and Tecsun are sister companies. Same owner! The PLA owns them....
----- Original Message -----
From: knyuen88
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, June 14, 2008 5:47 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Tecsun PL600

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different as Toyata vs Honda) Will not expect their characters are
similar.

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> 148 MHz). PL600 just has a normal display of a frequency of the
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Version: 8.0.100 / Virus Database: 270.3.0/1502 - Release Date: 6/13/2008 7:25 PM

1671. Re: Tecsun PL600

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-15 03:31:50 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1663 Message: 1671

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
>
> Tecsun and Degen are two completely different manufactures (just as
> different as Toyata vs Honda) Will not expect their characters are
> similar.

It might be. But Isuzu Aska is Honda Accord, Ford Maverick is Mazda Tribute, etc. There are a lot of examples.
Tecsun and Degen are two different manufactures (or departments), but PL600 is very similar De1103. It has the same technical designs.
Reviews say that the characters are not better then DE1103.

1672. Re: [de1103] Re: Tecsun PL600

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-15 08:24:58 UTC
From: Ok Ok
Topic: 1663 Message: 1672

Hi,
I can take as a silly joke that Tecsun PL-600 is better than Degen DE1103!
I?m owner of both receivers and have some experience with a lot of radios.
Here is my first experience with Tecsun PL-600:
1. PL-600 works good on AM .
2. Relatively good sensitivity and selectivity on SW, MW, LW, similar to the standard DE1103 but still seems for me the reception little noise and not to much stable in comparison with DE1103 (especially by SSB).
3. FM reception is very poor - deficit of selectivity due to lack of narrow filters. (Inside only one FM filter !)
4.Good sound, friendly to operate.
5.My subjective comparison PL-600 to Degen DE1103:
PL-600 : 6 points
DE1103 :10 points

Awaiting your self-containedly experience independently of
promotion reviews.

Have a nice day!

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1673. Re: Tecsun PL600

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-16 02:48:35 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1663 Message: 1673

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Ok Ok <ok_3022@...> wrote:
>
> Hi,
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> Awaiting your self-containedly experience independently of
> promotion reviews.
>
> Have a nice day!

Hi!
You have translated the reviews... it's joke. :)
Thanks for your response.
Try to do follow:
0. Turn off your radio.
1. Press button "SYSTEM SET"
2. Press "0"
3. Press "3"
4. Press button "SYSTEM SET"
It must occur label "ON". In the top-right corner must be "03".
5. Turn on your radio.
6. Press button for selecting bands "FM-AM-LW" some times until you
have seen "avia". You can listening aviation band (about 112-137 MHz).

Other system codes:
Turn off the radio.
Press "SYSTEM SET" "nn" "SYSTEM SET"
nn=
00 allocating of memory, page:10 preset:50

03 activating of AVIA
09 step MW 9 êÃö
10 step MW 10 êÃö
20 allocating of memory, page:20 preset:25
22 test of the display.
25 allocating of memory, page:25 preset:20
28 On a display - 1000 (change by encoder). Probably - current load of accums..
29 type of power supply, 29 - battery, 28 - accumulators.
50 allocating of memory page:50 preset:10
55 off/on ? (not know)
76 bandwidth FM-band 76-108
87 bandwidth FM-band 87-108
88 bandwidth FM-band 88-108

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1674. Re: Tecsun PL600

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-16 03:24:09 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1663 Message: 1674

Here are some info about the Tecsun PL-600
http://newsgroups.derkeiler.com/Archive/Rec/rec.radio.shortwave/2007-09/msg00020.html
The above info shown Tecsun PL_600 is a lookalike radio(yet doubtful if they are clones) to the DE1105 (producted years earlier than the DE1103)
In short the DE1103's design should not be identical to DE1105.
(and so does to the PL-600)
Hope this helps.

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1675. Corection: Tecsun PL600 vs DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-16 04:23:52 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1663 Message: 1675

Sorry, I mean DE1102 -- not DE1105 --- is a look-alike radio for
PL_600.
Also please see others reports for comparisons:
http://www.geocities.com/zliangas/DE1103.html
>
> Here are some info about the Tecsun PL-600
>
http://newsgroups.derkeiler.com/Archive/Rec/rec.radio.shortwave/2007-
> 09/msg00020.html
> The above info shown Tecsun PL_600 is a lookalike radio(yet
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> if they are clones) to the DE1105 (producted years earlier than the
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> > translateed from radioscanner.ru/forum
> >
>

1676. Re: Tecsun PL600

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-16 05:06:49 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1663 Message: 1676

Do you refer to those radio broadcaster/sponsor stickers --- in Chinese-
- at the left corner of the speaker panel?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
>
> Wrong, Degen and Tecsun are sister companies. Same owner! The PLA
owns them....
>

1677. Re: [de1103] Re: Tecsun PL600

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-16 06:26:17 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1663 Message: 1677

Oh no. I have been told by sellers about a connection. On the 1103 part, I really don't have a clue. I think it looks like a E 10 or PL500.
----- Original Message -----
From: knyuen88
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, June 16, 2008 1:06 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Tecsun PL600

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- at the left corner of the speaker panel?

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1678. Re: [de1103] Re: Tecsun PL600

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-16 06:35:54 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1663 Message: 1678

I mean the PL550
----- Original Message -----
From: Joshua Everett
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, June 16, 2008 2:26 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Tecsun PL600

Oh no. I have been told by sellers about a connection. On the 1103 part, I really don't have a clue. I think it looks like a E 10 or PL500.
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Sent: Monday, June 16, 2008 1:06 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Tecsun PL600

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1679. Re: Tecsun PL600

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-16 15:25:10 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1663 Message: 1679

It sounded the seller(s) tried to sell you the Tecsun products rather than the Degen's --- May be you can figure out the rest of his stories!

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
>
> I mean the PL550
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Joshua Everett
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, June 16, 2008 2:26 AM
> Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Tecsun PL600
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> Oh no. I have been told by sellers about a connection. On the 1103 part, I really don't have a clue. I think it looks like a E 10 or PL500.
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: knyuen88
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, June 16, 2008 1:06 AM
> Subject: [de1103] Re: Tecsun PL600
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> - at the left corner of the speaker panel?
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@> wrote:
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> > Wrong, Degen and Tecsun are sister companies. Same owner! The PLA
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1680. Re: [de1103] Re: Tecsun PL600

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-16 16:48:24 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1663 Message: 1680

Well the main point I am making is that Degen and Tecsun are sister companies. This exerpt is from Radios4You web site..... The GRUNDIG G5 is the newest high quality world receiver made for GRUNDIG by the DEGEN electronics company which is the sister company of TECSUN and is one of the top manufacturing companies in China. It receives all of the shortwave frequencies, Long Wave and FM.
I thought this was common knowledge.
----- Original Message -----
From: knyuen88
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, June 16, 2008 11:25 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Tecsun PL600

It sounded the seller(s) tried to sell you the Tecsun products rather than the Degen's --- May be you can figure out the rest of his stories!

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joshua Everett" <jbe123@...> wrote:
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> I mean the PL550
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> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, June 16, 2008 2:26 AM
> Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Tecsun PL600
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Version: 8.0.100 / Virus Database: 270.3.0/1504 - Release Date: 6/15/2008 5:52 PM

1681. loop antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-16 19:09:41 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1681 Message: 1681

See "Photos" area album "antenna's" what
a simple home made loop antenna can do...
Ok..the receiver is off-topic...

Reg.: jan

1682. Re: [de1103] loop antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-16 22:50:29 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1681 Message: 1682

Though there are several descriptions of loop antennas designs elsewhere in the web, I would like to view here descriptions some of the designs constructed by members of this forum . MW and also magnetic loops.

Horacio Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

--- El lun, 16/6/08, legonedijk <legonedijk@...> escribió:

De: legonedijk <legonedijk@...>
Asunto: [de1103] loop antenna
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: lunes, 16 junio, 2008 5:09

See "Photos" area album "antenna's" what
a simple home made loop antenna can do...
Ok..the receiver is off-topic...

Reg.: jan

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Enviado desde Correo Yahoo! La bandeja de entrada más inteligente.

1683. Re: loop antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-20 13:31:08 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1681 Message: 1683

At your service Horacio!!!
See:

http://ph.groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/photos/browse/31a1

Reg.; jan

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> Para: de1103@...m
> Fecha: lunes, 16 junio, 2008 5:09

1684. Re: loop antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-20 17:42:35 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1681 Message: 1684

K.I.S.S. is my credo....
http://www.mindspring.com/~loop_antenna/

1685. New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-20 19:55:46 UTC
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343 Message: 1685

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the de1103
group.

File : /WhereToLocateAnew365pfTuningCapacitor.doc
Uploaded by : format4nz <format4nz@...>
Description : For home enthusiasts, obtaining the new 365pf tuning capacitor used in Medium Wave Loop Antenna designs is difficult if not impossible outside of junking an old radio or finding one at a ham radio junk sale. One source of new tuning capacitors is the Xtal Set Society. Full details are in the file in the files section. Paul NZ.

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/WhereToLocateAnew365pfTuningCapacitor.doc

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/l/us/yahoo/groups/original/members/web/index.htmlfiles

Regards,

format4nz <format4nz@...>

1686. DE1103 Just arrived !

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-20 21:27:07 UTC
From: John
Topic: 1686 Message: 1686

Just got my DE1103 from "tquchina" e-bay seller I must say a perfect transaction. Prompt shippment and one of the best profressional packing jobs i've seen, triple wrapped in bubble wrap.
Came with:
110 vac adaptor/charger, Ear buds, 4-AA Degen 1300 mAH Ni-MH, wire antenna, nice small CD with manuals for all Degen SW portables in Chinese and English. Carry pouch.

Turned it on and 1mhz WWV came in loud and clear.. to be expected as I'm in the mountains overlooking Boise in SW Idaho.

Very impressive!!

Happy Summer Solstice Day to everybody.....and Good DX'ing

73

John

1687. Re: [de1103] DE1103 Just arrived ! John

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-20 22:49:22 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1687 Message: 1687

Pleased things worked out well.

Happy Winter Solstice Day to you too .....and Good DX'ing of course.

Paul NZ

----- Original Message -----
From: "John" <aksafety@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 21, 2008 9:27 AM
Subject: [de1103] DE1103 Just arrived !

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> transaction. Prompt shippment and one of the best profressional packing
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1688. Laptop Interference

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-22 04:56:03 UTC
From: spellboundnz
Topic: 1688 Message: 1688

Hello All

I'm a new member here, just joined up a couple of days ago! I recently purchased a DE1103 to use a SSB reciever for voice and Fax updates.

I have fax software on my Laptop and it works fine, however when I plug my DE1103 into it there is a massive increase of interference.

I had an old Toroid lying around and I tried that it made a slight difference but not much, is there anything else I can do?

Thanks for your help.

SHANE

1689. Re: Laptop Interference

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-22 09:43:33 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1688 Message: 1689

See "Photos" area album "antenna's" "receivertocomputer 1 & 2"
Connecting the laptop to the receiver

Audio
receiver computer

best line out/record line in a
2nd best line out/record mike 1
next best headphone line in b
better not headphone mike 2

a Volume control independent. You can listen.
1 Volume control independent. You can listen. Soundcard PC may get oversteered.
b Volume control dependent. You cannot listen. Soundcard PC may get oversteered.
2 Volume control dependent. You cannot listen. Soundcard PC may get oversteered. Also see extra info about volume control.
Most laptops don't have a line in, just a microphone in.
Use a good quality audio cable. Length max 2 metres.
Do not change PC line in and Headphone!

Remote control
See the receiver's manual. The cable probably is an RS232 nullmodem cable (TX - RX and RX-TX).
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Audio volume control and transformer

The windows audio volume control is not very practical. A simple controller in the audio cable does better. It is easy to make and does not cost much. All parts are obtainable from electronic components shops.
1 BNC in. Isolate from housing!
2 Audio transformer
3 Potmeter 50 kW logarithmic
4 BNC out
Use a metal housing (for shielding).
The audio transformer prevents disturbance from the computer reaching the receiver. Preferably 1:1, 70W impedance.
X Seperate groundings!

1690. Re: Laptop Interference

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-22 09:48:21 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1688 Message: 1690

Previous posting:
All drawings and text by Gerard Hageman

1691. 1103 Antenna Replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-22 15:25:34 UTC
From: David
Topic: 1691 Message: 1691

Sorry to visit this issue again because I know I have seen it on the site but I have searched this site and eBay but no luck. I need a whip antenna replacement for my KA1103.

I have seen links posted before but could not find any today. At one time I saw them on eBay for $8.95 but did not need one at that time. Is that not always the way it works?

Any links would be appreciated.

Thanks.
David (KA4MIW)

1692. Re: [de1103] 1103 Antenna Replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-22 15:59:05 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1691 Message: 1692

David,

tquchina
http://cgi.ebay.com/WHIP-ANTENNA-FOR-DE1103-DE1104-DE1107-DE1121-E5-RADIO_W0QQitemZ140138645834QQihZ004QQcategoryZ15051QQtcZphotoQQcmdZViewItemQQ_trksidZp1742.m153.l1262

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http://cgi.ebay.com/WHIP-ANTENNA-FOR-DE1102-DE1103-1104-1107-DE1121-RADIOS_W0QQitemZ260108153671QQihZ016QQcategoryZ15051QQtcZphotoQQcmdZViewItemQQ_trksidZp1742.m153.l1262

Regards,

Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

At 12:25 22/06/2008, you wrote:

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>site but I have searched this site and eBay but no luck. I need a
>whip antenna replacement for my KA1103.
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>Thanks.
>David (KA4MIW)
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1693. Re: [de1103] 1103 Antenna Replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-22 16:12:49 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1691 Message: 1693

----- Original Message -----
From: "David" <dgu@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 22, 2008 4:25 PM
Subject: [de1103] 1103 Antenna Replacement

> Sorry to visit this issue again because I know I have seen it on the
> site but I have searched this site and eBay but no luck. I need a
> whip antenna replacement for my KA1103.

What happened to it?

Leon
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Leon Heller
Amateur radio call-sign G1HSM
Yaesu FT-817ND transceiver
Suzuki SV1000S motorcycle
leon355@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller

1694. Re: 1103 Antenna Replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-22 23:34:53 UTC
From: David
Topic: 1691 Message: 1694

The end of it pulled out and will no longer stay in.

David

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon" <leon355@...> wrote:
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "David" <dgu@...>
> To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Sunday, June 22, 2008 4:25 PM
> Subject: [de1103] 1103 Antenna Replacement
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> Suzuki SV1000S motorcycle
> leon355@...
> http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller
>

1695. Re: 1103 Antenna Replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-22 23:36:29 UTC
From: David
Topic: 1691 Message: 1695

Thanks Moises. It is now on order.

The end just pulled out and will no longer stay attached. Thanks
again for pointing me in the right direction.

David

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moisés Knochen <moises.knochen@...> wrote:
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> David,
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> tquchina
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http://cgi.ebay.com/WHIP-ANTENNA-FOR-DE1103-DE1104-DE1107-DE1121-E5-RADIO_W0QQitemZ140138645834QQihZ004QQcategoryZ15051QQtcZphotoQQcmdZViewItemQQ_trksidZp1742.m153.l1262
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> >David (KA4MIW)
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1696. Re: Laptop Interference

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-23 07:35:29 UTC
From: spellboundnz
Topic: 1688 Message: 1696

Thanks for the information, it was very helpful.

The other thing I notice is that receptoin ss very poor untill I remove the antenna cable. When I remove the cable and have the antenna plug halfway out of the socket I get fantastic reception with very little interferrance.

Any idea why this is the case and how I can resolve it?

Thanks

SHANE

1697. Re: [de1103] Re: Laptop Interference

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-23 08:12:44 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1688 Message: 1697

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----- Original Message -----
From: "spellboundnz" <shanehanson@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, June 23, 2008 8:35 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Laptop Interference

> Thanks for the information, it was very helpful.
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> remove the antenna cable. When I remove the cable and have the antenna
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Sounds like a ground loop problem, with the plug halfway out the ground
isn't connected. A transformer would help.

Leon
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1698. Re: Laptop Interference

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-23 09:20:36 UTC
From: spellboundnz
Topic: 1688 Message: 1698

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon" <leon355@...> wrote:
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> Sounds like a ground loop problem, with the plug halfway out the ground
> isn't connected. A transformer would help.
>
> Leon
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Thanks Leon

It that a transformer on the antenna or on the power supply?

Thanks

SHANE

1699. Technics.....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-23 14:44:52 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1699 Message: 1699

Go to the zipped file:
http://f1.grp.yahoofs.com/v1/YKxfSKWzgJ5yKIQ2NVBYgO4CkqIU8_cMuegHlKxWqz5Xf745VAf_YiStoHxZbYK8TRJVE80qBpYXIsKdrcpVZZ5Z7R16zwIA9g

All by Gerard Hageman.

Reg.; jan

1700. FlatCable

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-25 15:24:35 UTC
From: mrzfrn
Topic: 1700 Message: 1700

Somebody knows how to get a spare flat cable that joins the two
DE1103 boards ?
As matter of fact I look for a longer flat cable !
I want to make some "surgery" on the radio , such longer
flat cable will help me a lot
Thanks

Francesco

1701. New Member with just arrived Kaita KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-25 18:33:00 UTC
From: jsphipps
Topic: 1701 Message: 1701

I am actually pretty new to the hobby as well. I live in Georgia (USA) and I have done a lot of research regarding worldband receivers over the past 2 or 3 months and finally decided to jump in. From all the reviews I have read, the 1103 looks like a good unit to get started with.

I received the radio in the mail yesterday and proceeded to read the manual, pop in the batteries, and begin with the intial setup. Surprisingly enough, I found the manual to be quite friendly and not as complicated as many have reported. Perhaps because I have nothing to compare to. I ran a quick test of the FM stations and was very, very pleased with the reception and sound. I didn't play around too much because I knew I had to get the radio charged. Based on the calculation in the manual I set the charge for 12 hrs. Low and behold, the battery charge indicator did not strengthen when the charger automatically turned off. It looked like it was charging, the volume bars were "running" and I could check charge time left and time passed, the backlight remained on.

I have read through the past posts and there appears to be a history of power supply and battery issues. Some say to get new batteries, some say get a new power supply, and some say to get new batteries and a charger. I am sure I will try each of these until I figure it out. But I do have a few questions;

Is there any risk associated with charging the batteries in the unit as opposed to an external charger?

What are the stongest batteries that should be used. What strength batteries are recommended?

I am sorry if these questions seem too basic, I will continue trying to research before asking.

Thanks!

1702. Re: [de1103] New Member with just arrived Kaita KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-26 02:43:51 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1701 Message: 1702

Hi

Welcome, as I don't use the internal charger I cannot answer your first question, I live in New Zealand where the mains voltage 230 Volts so the charger is of no use. As far as the batteries go, they are all 1.2 volts. I would get batteries with the highest current rating, 2500mAh ones should last quite a long time. It depends of course how often you use the radio.

When you are tuning on medium wave, don't forget to look out for any station using a 9 kHz split. Knowing the performance of the Kaito on medium wave, it is highly likely that you will hear something.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "jsphipps" <phipps6110@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 26, 2008 6:33 AM
Subject: [de1103] New Member with just arrived Kaita KA1103

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1703. Re: New Member with just arrived Kaita KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-26 00:52:05 UTC
From: radiobassboy
Topic: 1701 Message: 1703

Hi,
I recieved my 1103 last week, I found the batteries would not charge ,I placed the batteries in another NiHm charger still they would not charge. I placed Nihm I bought in the radio and they did charge for me the batteries were at fault.

I advised the supplier and they gave me a $10 refund which I am happy with.

I am very happy with the radio as it is pulling in AM and FM stations never heard before.

A great reciever but very poor quality supplied batteries.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jsphipps" <phipps6110@...> wrote:
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1704. Re: [de1103] New Member with just arrived Kaita KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-26 11:46:48 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1701 Message: 1704

Most common procedures:

1)Use of external charger for NiMH batteries is recommended

2)Do not play too much with the telescopic antenna, it tends to broke or disengage in its segments, as reported. FM reception is excellent without need of fully extend it, depending on the location you are.

3)Beware of the static electricity in your body when touching the telescopic antenna. Assure yourself to touch any metallic surface to ground whenever you have dry (and windy) weather. (Although I don't know if the latest production units are already front-end protected.)

4)If you want to connect large wires to the receiver as antenna for SW reception, the receiver will likely overload. Use a inductive coupling to between antenna and receiver (balun.. to adapt impedance). The possibility of burning the built-in RF preamplifier in the receiver is increased, for signals are stronger, and especially be careful with external antennas in local electrical storms, disconnecting them at all.

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Montevideo
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De: Paul <format4nz@...>
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Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: jueves, 26 junio, 2008 12:43

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1705. Re: [de1103] New Member with just arrived Kaita KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-26 12:28:14 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1701 Message: 1705

I was out and about the other day tracking down transmitter sites of our local MW stations, I was a 200 metres away from one mast and about 500 metres away from another. The KA 1103 handled the high signal strengths (there were six stations sharing two masts) with no problems. I was also able to hear the signal up to the 15th harmonic on the one that I tried.

As far as the whip is concerned, it is a good idea to carry a spare. I ordered one the other day just in case.

During an electrical storm it is a good idea to disconnect everything including the computer's modem from the phone line.

If you are using a loop antenna for MW, all you need to do is to place the radio within the loop and the inductive coupling between it and the radio will work just as well as if the radio was hardwired to the antenna.

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: Horacio Nigro
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, June 26, 2008 11:46 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] New Member with just arrived Kaita KA1103

Most common procedures:

1)Use of external charger for NiMH batteries is recommended

2)Do not play too much with the telescopic antenna, it tends to broke or disengage in its segments, as reported. FM reception is excellent without need of fully extend it, depending on the location you are.

3)Beware of the static electricity in your body when touching the telescopic antenna. Assure yourself to touch any metallic surface to ground whenever you have dry (and windy) weather. (Although I don't know if the latest production units are already front-end protected.)

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1706. Re: New Member with just arrived Kaita KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-26 13:01:47 UTC
From: radiobassboy
Topic: 1701 Message: 1706

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Hey mate Kiwi land is a beautiful place I am looking forward to get back to the South Island for fishing and sight seeing.

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1707. Re: New Member with just arrived Kaita KA1103-new problem!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-26 11:35:53 UTC
From: jsphipps
Topic: 1701 Message: 1707

Thanks for the response.....I will take your advice and purchase the 2500mAh batteries. I hope it fixes the second problem I encountered as well. I went home last night, plugged the radio in so that I could begin testing the MW-SW functionality. I immediatley turned the dial to a local AM station and got a very clear strong signal. Then I decided to test the search function....that's when my trouble began. For some reason it would not lock in on any AM frequencies. I watched it go through a couple of cycles then tried to manually tune into the frequency I was listening to earlier. No go. It seems that the radio will not pick up any MW or SW frequencies at all. FM still works fine. Resetting did not help. Not sure what to do yet but I unplugged the unit, took out the batteries. Today I will purchase some new batteries, and see if that has anything to do with the problem. I hope so.

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1708. Re: New Member with just arrived Kaita KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-26 11:38:31 UTC
From: jsphipps
Topic: 1701 Message: 1708

Thanks for the advice. I will be trying new batteries today. If you
read my reply to the other group member you will see that I now have
the problem of not being able to get AM-SW to work at all.
Hopefully, this is all related to the battery issue. If not, I guess
I will have to send it back.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "radiobassboy" <dave.claydon@...>
wrote:
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> Hi,
> I recieved my 1103 last week, I found the batteries would not
> charge ,I placed the batteries in another NiHm charger still they
> would not charge. I placed Nihm I bought in the radio and they did
> charge for me the batteries were at fault.
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> I advised the supplier and they gave me a $10 refund which I am
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1709. Re: [de1103] Re: New Member with just arrived Kaita KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-26 18:37:12 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1701 Message: 1709

Hi Dave

I got mine via Amazon which explains the voltage mismatch. I must have been lucky as far as the batteries go as I have had no problems. The same cannot be said for the charger that I have. It's one of those energiser four cell ones, and judging by the amount of use I can get out of the digital camera between charges, I don't think it is doing its job properly.

The South Island certainly does has plenty of nice places to visit, and if you are into skiing, the way things have been shaping up, it is going to be quite a good ski season.

Paul
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1710. Re: New Member with just arrived Kaita KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-27 12:15:03 UTC
From: w_w_williamson
Topic: 1701 Message: 1710

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> >> > very pleased with the reception and sound. I didn't play
around
> > too
> >> > much because I knew I had to get the radio charged. Based on
the
> >> > calculation in the manual I set the charge for 12 hrs. Low and
> >> > behold, the battery charge indicator did not strengthen when
the
> >> > charger automatically turned off. It looked like it was
> > charging,
> >> > the volume bars were "running" and I could check charge time
> > left and
> >> > time passed, the backlight remained on.
> >> >
> >> > I have read through the past posts and there appears to be a
> > history
> >> > of power supply and battery issues. Some say to get new
> > batteries,
> >> > some say get a new power supply, and some say to get new
> > batteries
> >> > and a charger. I am sure I will try each of these until I
> > figure it
> >> > out. But I do have a few questions;
> >> >
> >> > Is there any risk associated with charging the batteries in the
> > unit
> >> > as opposed to an external charger?
> >> >
> >> > What are the stongest batteries that should be used. What
> > strength
> >> > batteries are recommended?
> >> >
> >> > I am sorry if these questions seem too basic, I will continue
> > trying
> >> > to research before asking.
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> >> > Thanks!
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1711. Guess I need to send it back

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-28 11:49:35 UTC
From: jsphipps
Topic: 1711 Message: 1711

Well, yesterday I bought some new batteries, charged them up and put them in the radio which had been sitting powerless for a few days. The unit still indicates that the batteries are not fully charged and I still can't pick up any AM or SW frequencies. I guess I got a lemon.

Thanks for all the advice, I will join you again and let you know how everything works once the replacement has arrived.

1712. Re: Guess I need to send it back

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-06-29 16:19:56 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 1711 Message: 1712

Try the reset button on the radio. Then let is sit for a couple of days before re inserting the batteries.

When you put in the batteries, make sure the connection is good at the ends of the +/-, and ensure the correct polarity. I've seen a post in the past where the AA batteries supplied with the radio were just a tad too short in length, and a good connection was not being made.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jsphipps" <phipps6110@...> wrote:
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> Thanks for all the advice, I will join you again and let you know how
> everything works once the replacement has arrived.
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1713. Re: Laptop Interference

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-01 09:17:32 UTC
From: rutja76
Topic: 1688 Message: 1713

Hi!
--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "legonedijk" <legonedijk@...> wrote:
[...]
> The audio transformer prevents disturbance from the computer reaching
> the receiver. Preferably 1:1, 70W impedance.

Could you please specify what 70W impedance means? 70 Ohm? 70 KOhm?

Cheers,
Raffa

1714. Re: Laptop Interference

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-01 20:09:29 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1688 Message: 1714

I think it is the transformation ratio....
Any extension is not common.
My opinion is that a transformer with the ratio 1 : 1
will works as well..often found in out dated computer-telephone line
interface's.

http://home.planet.nl/~hagem358/Navt_GB.htm
or
http://home.planet.nl/~hagem358/Navt_F.htm

You must dig a little for technical tips and registration for any third
part software is not nessasery.

B.t.w.: The DE1103 is a lunch box receiver...no shielding.
A office laptop is a luch box transmitter...no shielding.

I hope it helps a litte...

Reg; jan

1715. Pocket mobile Active Antenna for my DE.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-02 05:25:09 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1715 Message: 1715

recently I've made a small mobile antenna for my DE that can be mount on a window or balcony or car via a pipe and Windshield Suction Cup for PDA (or any strong cupule).
The antenna uses a amplifier (source follower) that has a big rate of power gain. The schematic is http://www.radioscanner.ru/uploader/2007/pa0rdtminiwhip.pdf (in english)
Excellent result! I easy pack it to pocket, easy mount, can listen to all MW and SW waves.

Photos:
1. http://ph.groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/photos/view/c464?b=4

2. http://ph.groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/photos/view/c464?b=5

3. http://ph.groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/photos/view/c464?b=6

4. http://ph.groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/photos/view/c464?b=7

Used: 2 UHF-U213P connectors (http://zip-2002.ru/bmp/3395.jpg), 2 UHF-BJ (http://zip-2002.ru/bmp/3392.jpg), 4 telescopes, 50 Ohm cable, 3.5mm jack, thermo-shrinkable pipes 6,8,15,20,30mm, some electronic parts and couple of evenings. Enjoy.)

1716. Re: New Member with just arrived Kaito KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-02 17:18:52 UTC
From: wgmartin999
Topic: 1701 Message: 1716

For what it's worth, when I first got my 1103, I just put in ordinary AA alkalines and it worked fine and I have just been using that type of battery and the external power supply/wall-wart ever since. I get the impression that the radio is unhappy with having no batteries or nearly-dead batteries in it, even when it has power via the external jack, so just change the batteries when they're low. The whole bother of charging rechargables seems to be not worth the effort. I did check out the NiMH ones that came with the radio and they did seem to be somewhat flaky, even when charged in an outboard charger.

Since I leave the radio attached to the external power supply 99% of the time, the regular alkaline AAs last for a long time so the expense is trivial. This also means that the radio will work reliably at those times when I do unplug it and use it portably; no danger of a weak or run-down rechargable dying unexpectedly and interrupting my use of the radio. I keep an eye out for sales of AA alkalines, especially in large-quantity packs, and keep a good supply at decent per-cell prices for all the toys I have that use them.

73, Will

1717. External antenna weather-proof?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-05 01:23:04 UTC
From: setijens
Topic: 1717 Message: 1717

Hey folks,
it's just now, that I realized via the manual, that the external antenna is meant to lead somewhere outside. (I really don't know too much about the technics)
Right now, I have it around the ceiling inside the room - and yeah, the reception isn't soooo much better.

My question: Is that cable really weather proof?

Best regards
Jens

P.S.: Some people might remember I had bad luck with my first receiver. Well - the second one just works nicely. tquchina really is the best on eBay.

1718. specialy for the new members and owners of a 1103,,,kiato..degen..

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-05 08:59:33 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1718 Message: 1718

http://www.radioscanner.ru/receivers/review/degen1103_eng.html

There is more info on that site, e.g.:
1) put in google "radioscanner.ru".
2) search "the web".
3) 9 out of 10 the the first hit is radioscanner.ru.
4) "Translate this page"
5) Wait for a moment....
6) Scroll down a bit...
7) click on "Files"...

Reg.: jan

1719. Re: External antenna weather-proof?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-05 09:36:01 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1717 Message: 1719

Hi Jens,

That antenna is more for temporary installation.
Let say on a holiday trip for excample.
There is special antenna wire for sale.
My opinion is that every cupper wire wil work as an antenna.
Dig out the scrabbox in the cellar for example...or go to a
building site....
It is great fun to achieve an improvement at low costs.
The only investment then is time.
Read and study a little, e.g. by wikapedia, about the antenna
technics.

Make sure that the antenna is disconnected from de 1103 when not in
use.
Also take care of man made static electricity. Discharge yourself
by touch a big peace of metal or an earth / grounding connection
before you touch the whip antenna.
Static electricity is made by dry frosty winds and ofcourse also by
thunderstorms.

B.t.w., my dictionary drop out in bit and pieces....

Reg.: jan

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> the best on eBay.
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1720. Re: [de1103] Re: External antenna weather-proof?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-05 11:56:53 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1717 Message: 1720

Plan of a simple Inverted L Antenna

http://www.dxzone.com/cgi-bin/dir/jump2.cgi?ID=3275

Don't worry about any length mentioned in the plan just build it to fit the space you have.

Attach a 3.5 mm mono jack plug to the down lead and plug this into the radio or wrap the bare wire around the telescopic whip.

As far as the type of wire to use, you can use any multi strand wire preferably copper because it is a better conductor. Just make sure that it will be strong enough to withstand the forces of the wind. These is no need to worry about weather proofing the cable.

The only part that you may have problems obtaining would be the porcelain insulators, anything that can do the job would be ok.

As Jan said, research the web, go to your local library for information. An antenna is something that you can build for yourself without the use of a specially assembled kitset.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "legonedijk" <legonedijk@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, July 05, 2008 9:36 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: External antenna weather-proof?

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> Reg.: jan
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1721. Re: External antenna weather-proof?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-05 20:07:16 UTC
From: setijens
Topic: 1717 Message: 1721

Hey you two,
thank you for your suggestions. However I'm all thumbs regarding electronics and messing around with it. You wouldn't believe how proud I was to finish the Enterprise NX-01-Model with electronics included (quite easy model - no glue and painting required) :)

In addition, shortwave is just one of my several hobbies - I want to play around a bit, not more and not less.

I also bought a DE31 active loop together with the receiver, but didn't really notice an improvement in reception. Same applies to the long-wire antenna. Maybe it's because of my rather good position - 1st floor, old building and therefore probably not much shielding.

Any commercial antenna for reasonable prices, that could further improve my reception?

Best regards
Jens

1722. Re: External antenna weather-proof?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-06 06:55:09 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1717 Message: 1722

..."Oh..oh..beam me up Scotty, that man is underestimating himself!!"

Hi Jens,

A lot of us, owners of a 1103,are starters in DX-ing (receiving).
I am a starter also and now capiable to decode NAVFAX for example.
A PC or laptop with a decoding program are the supplimenting tools.

Compare prices is great fun....
http://www.pyacht.com/online-store/scstore/h-sitex_navfax_200.htm

Lesson 1
The active loop is a directional antenna.
That wire antenna what comes with the 1103 is nearby omnidirectional.

Lesson 2
The loop is for receiving the magnatic part of the radio signal.
That wire antenna is for receiving the electric part of the radio
signal.

Find a station with a lot of disturbance on the whip and wire antenna.
Than connect the loop to the 1103 and turn the loop to different
directions.
Hopefully you find out that the signal is much clearer.
The strengh of the signal, audio, is less.
That's what we want...quality and not quantity...

Guys, if i had made mistake's correct me.

Sorry for my 2 penny english...

Reg.: jan

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> Best regards
> Jens
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1723. legonedijk : Details on Your Loop Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-06 07:31:11 UTC
From: Steven Beesley
Topic: 1723 Message: 1723

Hi,

I just saw your loop antenna in the photos sectio, are there any details for the transformenr, VR and resistor in the tuning control? Would like to try and build one =)

Regards,

Steve

1724. Re: legonedijk : Details on Your Loop Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-06 10:09:01 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1723 Message: 1724

Hi Steve,

There is no transformer.
VR?....no....resistor?...no
Only a varable capicitor of, this is a gues, appr.350 pico farad (pF)

In the top of the big loop is the smaller coupling loop.
Nothing more than a peace of cupper wire diameter
appr.30 cm / 1 feet.
One end to the inner of the coax the other end connected
to the shield / outer of the coax. This coax to your
receiver. Mayby you need a 3.5 mm jack-male for this.

The big loop 82x82 cm /2.6x2.6 feet ,appr., is made of pvc-tubbing.
Inside the tubing is a cupper wire.
At the bottem the ends of that wire are connected to the
varible capicitor.

B.t.w., you don't need a coupling loop....see
photo "coupling_without_wieres" in the "Photos-Atenna's"section of
this group.
The coupling now is done by ferrit antenna bar inside the receiver...
(or is it the whip antenna?)

Guys, correct my if i made same misstaks...

Hope it helps a little.....

Reg.; jan

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wrote:
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> Steve
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1725. Re: External antenna weather-proof?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-06 17:03:43 UTC
From: setijens
Topic: 1717 Message: 1725

Hey Jan,
your english is just fine - so far, I understood everything.

I tried to move around the active loop antenna, and I indeed noticed, that the reception changes with the direction of the antenna. However - even with the best possible direction, I won't really have better results, than with just using the whip.
Is it possible, that under some circumstances rather cheap antennas won't make too much of a difference? I also owned a used ATS-803a shortly, and with that I also couldn't notice any difference, when attaching a cable to the whip, than without the cable.
For testing purposes, I tuned into a not so strong SW-station and listened, if the signal becomes clearer. Or is that the wrong method of testing?

Is it possible, that besides rather complicated/expensive antenna constructions, I already get the most out of my receiver?

Best regards
Jens

P.S.: Yeah, sometime I'm going to test the stuff with weather faxes as well. Just have to get some audio-connection cable.

1726. Re: [de1103] Pocket mobile Active Antenna for my DE.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-06 17:43:38 UTC
From: Dmitry Mezin
Topic: 1715 Message: 1726

Hi wind_nv,

Did you ever have a chance to compare your creature with Degen DE-31 aerial
in terms of performance? Strong points, weak points, etc, etc?

Cheers & best dx,
Dmitry

----- Original Message -----
From: "wind_nv" <s2erash@...>
Subject: [de1103] Pocket mobile Active Antenna for my DE.

> recently I've made a small mobile antenna for my DE that can be mount
> on a window or balcony or car via a pipe and Windshield Suction Cup
> for PDA (or any strong cupule).

1727. Re: External antenna weather-proof?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-06 19:14:46 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1717 Message: 1727

Hi Jens,

There is a difference between your area and my habitat i think.
I live in an appartment, 10 mtrs / 33 feet above sea level.
The man made noise and radio frequency interference is hudge.
Beside that the only glass-window of 11. mtr / 38 feet is on the south side.
I live nearby in a cage of Farady.
Very difficult to recieve the electricity part of a radio signal.
The positive side is that the Farady cage is not disturbing the magnetic part of the radio signal.
With the loop antenna i am capable to "nul out" the interference.

You wrote: "I won't really have better results, than with just using the whip."
Then you live in a "clear" area. Congratilations!!!!

Your testing methode is ok.
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ATS-803A:

Performance
The 803A is a real rugged workhorse with solid performance. It is an exceptional performer in the MW band.

MW - performs very well with both the internal loopstick antenna and with an external antenna.

SW - overall fine reception. Like most Sangean radios, the 803A is a little on the deaf side with just the whip antenna (I wonder if that is why they provided such a long whip?). An external antenna really brings it to life. Sideband/cw reception is average with the BFO tuning arrangement. One very nice feature of the 803A is that the wide/narrow filter works in sideband - this is not always true in shortwave portables. Stations are easily received all across the SW spectrum with a modest length external wire antenna.
==========
The DE-1103 is slightly different but needs a external wire antenna also in most cases.

You wrote:"Is it possible, that besides rather complicated/expensive antenna constructions, I already get the most out of my receiver?"
That all depends on the time of the day, atmosferic interference and propagation and.....HAM experience!!!!

If you go for WETHERFAX / NAVFAX than you realize what a nice little thing the 1103 is.

That was it for to day.

Reg.: jan

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1728. Re: Pocket mobile Active Antenna for my DE.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-07 10:13:15 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1715 Message: 1728

Hi Dmitry.
No I didn't. Because I don't have the DE-31. But, I did some magnetic loops in different variants and I always was not satisfied with results, it was very noisy in resonance or very small signal, so, I prefer only electric antennas instead of magnetic antennas.
But, I want to try my hand-made not resonant magnetic loop with that amplifier. I think it will be the same or worse, but bigger and not pocket).
DE-31 is needed to tune on a frequency, I don't like this. I would prefer to make a preselector with an amplifier and make an outdoor antenna.
My AA-antenna is a outdoor telescopic antenna of DE-1103. It works a bit better than native telescope of 1103, because DE-1103 has a source follower too.

>
> Hi wind_nv,
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> Did you ever have a chance to compare your creature with Degen DE-31 aerial
> in terms of performance? Strong points, weak points, etc, etc?
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> Cheers & best dx,
> Dmitry

1729. Inclined Whip

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-07 12:48:14 UTC
From: setijens
Topic: 1729 Message: 1729

Hey folks,
I just wanted to ask you, if it's normal, that the whip antenna looks like this:
http://us.a2.yahoofs.com/groups/g_17032067/823d/__sr_/4e15.jpg?grQukcIBa.JWrXre

I ask, because my receiver fell on the floor yesterday, but I think the antenna also wasn't straight up before.

Best regards
Jens

1730. Re: External antenna weather-proof?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-07 16:48:06 UTC
From: John Miller
Topic: 1717 Message: 1730
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Since I got my 1103 three weeks ago, I have tried the long wire antenna with excellent results over the already very good internal whip.

QTH: Boise, Idaho in the foothills to the north of the city at about 3200 feet.

A new town with underground utilities and not much noise level, surrounded by low mountains.

EU dx'ing is very good and of course Asia is perfect, so is central America and south America.

I have tried Degen's active window antenna DE-31? with very poor results and sold it. The long wire is very good.

73and Good DX'ing

John

Boise, Idaho

1731. Re: [de1103] Re: External antenna weather-proof? John

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-07 19:00:22 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1731 Message: 1731
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

At last, someone using a traditional antenna, I just wish that I had the space. A lack of noise would be nice too .... don't forget the South Pacific, Radio Australia, various low powered tropical band Papua New Guineans and Radio New Zealand International http://www.rnzi.com/index.php. You could also try going for Asia/Pacific stations on medium wave, just check the 9 kHz splits. If my experience is anything to go by (hearing stations from the opposite direction), you should stand a very good chance hearing something using just the built in ferrite antenna.

Good DX

Paul
Christchruch, New Zealand

----- Original Message -----
From: John Miller
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 4:48 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: External antenna weather-proof?

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Boise, Idaho

1732. Synchronous AM detector for improved shortwave reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-09 02:52:35 UTC
From: texnote
Topic: 1732 Message: 1732

Interesting article. Click on the image to bring up another window which shows all images used in the article:

http://www.siliconchip.com.au/cms/A_110651/article.html

1734. Re: Synchronous AM detector for improved shortwave reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-09 04:06:56 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1732 Message: 1734

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It's very interesting! Thanks for the info, I tried to find simple schems too...
But there is one small problem... The "existing replaced diode" is built in TA2057 of DE1103 :) in mode AM. The detector could be used in SSB mode.. between 18 and 17 pins of TA2057.. but then it's need an additional commutation in order to exclude SSB detector.

1735. DE1108 teaser?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-16 15:29:50 UTC
From: texnote
Topic: 1735 Message: 1735

See
http://www.5bcl.com/Article/Class14/200807/2605.html

The translated version says something along the lines of a "blurred"
Degen DE1108.

1736. Re: DE1108 teaser?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-17 02:22:52 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1735 Message: 1736

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> Degen DE1108.
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It seems to me that the de1108 is Tecsun PL-600. Because, DE1108 was planned in 2004 to be made, and both Degen and Tecsun are one hangar, so DE1108 became PL-600. :) They are similar with specifications.

1737. Re: DE1108 teaser?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-17 04:33:07 UTC
From: texnote
Topic: 1735 Message: 1737

I don't think so. While Degen is a subsidiary of Tecsun, they have a different product line. Also the blurred photo, and the sharp one below it are from the same radio. The sharp photo of the LCD/AGC/tone control/clock/signal meter shows a part of the radio, which appears in the blurred photo (middle to left), and the right hand side of the radio is apparently a direct entry keypad. Overall this appears to be a large radio, not a small portable.

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1738. Newbie (to Degen 1103) with Questions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-18 03:45:51 UTC
From: mal1958au
Topic: 1738 Message: 1738

Hi,
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I recently purchased a Degen 1103 and have had a bit of play with it.

It certainly lives up to it's reputation for bang for buck with
regards to performance (Sensitivity etc).

There are two things though that I would like the considered
opinion of the group about.

a) The supplied Degen Ni-MH batteries.
When I initially installed the recharge-able Degen batteries, the
battery indicator came-up showing low charge. Fair enough, so I took
them out and put into my Ni-MH charger.

The charger charged two batteries OK, but had error lights on the
other two. The two batteries with error lights showed 1.0 V and did
not seem to want to initially charge. I don't know why, but later
when I took them out and when I tried to charge them, they were
charging OK, with a reading of 1.3V.

When they were all fully charged ,I put them in the radio and they
lasted for about 15 minutes before the low battery indicator came on.
A check showed one of the batteries down to 1.0 V, the other 3 were
showing 1.3 V.

At this point I ran out of time to play more, but I did put the one
with 1.0V back in the charger and this morning it apparently re-charged.

My question about this is,

Is this typical of the quality of the Degen Batteries ? If so, I
will simply get a new set of quality recharge-ables to use.

b) Storing Frequencies in the Memory
While exploring the capabilities of the radio, I decided to store
some frequencies in Memory.

I worked out how to do this Ok, except that every time I wanted to
store new frequencies, it would always default to wanting to store the
new frequency in Memory 00. To overcome this, I had to scroll to a
vacant Memory location for the new frequency.

My question about this is,

Is this the way it works, or is there some trick to store the
frequency in the next free Memory location ?

Cheers
Mal (from OZ)

1739. Re: [de1103] Newbie (to Degen 1103) with Questions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-18 09:15:50 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1738 Message: 1739

----- Original Message -----
From: "mal1958au" <lewis.family5@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, July 18, 2008 4:45 AM
Subject: [de1103] Newbie (to Degen 1103) with Questions

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> showing 1.3 V.
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> Is this typical of the quality of the Degen Batteries ? If so, I
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They seem to be rather variable, mine were fine. Yours sound as if they are
faulty.

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Leon

1740. Re: Newbie (to Degen 1103) with Questions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-18 16:14:45 UTC
From: Travers
Topic: 1738 Message: 1740

I got the crappy green batteries also; I just simply use other
nimh's or alkalines. Not going to complain too much since
the radio is such a steal!

Travers

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "mal1958au" <lewis.family5@...> wrote:
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> Cheers
> Mal (from OZ)
>

1741. Re: Newbie (to Degen 1103) with Questions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-18 19:37:29 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1738 Message: 1741

I've had my Kaito KA1103 for a little over a year. The battery icon shows only one segment all the time, even when the stock batteries have just been charged. They're about 1.4 VDC after charging. If I put in alkalines (about 1.6 VDC when new) all of the segments are shown. There is no performance difference between the two kinds of batteries.

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1742. Receiver board control

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-20 13:27:55 UTC
From: K
Topic: 1742 Message: 1742

External control of the receiver board appears to be relatively possible, potentially expanding the frequency coverage.

Signals conducted on the 13 conductor Sony flexible ribbon cable are: (pin 1 is closest to the chamfered end of the cable socket)

pin 1 PWR_CTRL: active high
pin 2 AGC: analogue
pin 3 WW: analogue, volume control 0 to 1.25 volts
pin 4 CE: digital
pin 5 V_DET: digital, high (6VDC) if A/C adaptor present
pin 6 DI: digital, data in
pin 7 CHARGE: digital, high to enable battery charging
pin 8 CLK: digital, shift register clock in (40kHz, 20% duty cycle)
pin 9 Vdd: 6VDC power
pin 10 DO: digital, data out
pin 11 ground
pin 12 WIDE/NARROW: digital, high on wide
pin 13 SSB/ST: digital input/output, low in AM for SSB selected, low in FM if FM stereo detected

referring to the DE1103 schematic and
http://www.semiconductor-sanyo.com/ds_e/ENN5743B.pdf

CE, CLK, DO and DI connect directly to the pins of the LC72137M and are: 3.0 VDC active high and 0 VDC active low.

DO is capable of sinking 1 ma and has a 10k pullup resistor to 3 VDC. When CLK is inactive, it follows the station detect output of the TA2057.

BO1 toggles between enabling the AM RF/IF and FM RF/IF front ends.

BO2 toggles between enabling the MW and SW RF front ends.

BO3 enables the BFO in AM mode and selects MONO/STEREO in FM mode.

BO4 enables the 2nd IF oscillator in AM mode.

IO1 as an input follows the station detected output of the TA2057 and controls muting as an output.

IO2 IF counting by the LC72137.

3.0 VDC (regulated) is present on the wider trace just above the chamfer of the Sony flexible ribbon cable socket.

1743. Insensitive DE1103; 100-kHz-mod; ser.no.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-22 11:13:07 UTC
From: df8dq
Topic: 1743 Message: 1743

Hi, dr group members.
Frequently I read about insensitive 1103s, having lost their Q1-FET.
What does insensitive mean (whithout lab'measuring)?
I owe a DE1103 for 2 yrs or so, being quite happy with it. But I do not really think my radio is the "big ear". Well, depending on the conditions here at NW-Germany I can hear on 14 MHz SSB hams from all over Europe, and a crowd of broadcaster on 6, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15 MHz, but my 20 year old Sangean ATS 803a did this, too. And the Sangy did receive BC like Tashkent/Uzbekhistan on 5025 or Africans around 4800 and South Americans in the same tropical band with a whip, but the 1103 does not at all. Or Citizen band 27 MHz, Sangy does, Degen wont. Comparing the Degen on whip/w built in amplifier to Degen on 'long wire 5 meters': the wire without the built in amp. beats the socalled supersensitive whip/w amplifier Q1. Or should it be, my HF-Amplifier Q1 did never work ok? Above 20 MHz there's nothing....
Few weeks ago I did it - I made the 'down <100 mod'. The result: a big question mark. I did tune down to 77 kHz, memorized it. Hardly can hear DCF77 time signal station on 77.5 kHz with coded weather information, but ! longwave broadcaster on 153, or the BBC on 198 kHz, Luxemburg on 234, who always had been week on de1103, are gone. Even a regional mediumwave station on 549 kHz 100 kW, strongest on the band in normal mode, is hardly unaudible using the mod. I think the magnetic loop has been switched off, by there is no reaction to the whip or longwire ? Only less 'palm of my hand-sensitivity' regardable.

My serial number is, hope I remember right, AI026765, or like this. (what does is mean? Built in 200_2? or in 200_6 lot 765 ?) When delivered from China it had the round ChinaRadioInternational sticker, so it should be a 'newer series' - past 2004/2005.

No question, on MW and FM/FM-Stereo, the Degen 1103 beats every radio I ever used in 30 yrs of swl-ing and ham-ing (Grundig, Nordmende, Sangean, HBATEC) and is a competitor in SW-Reception on good antennas to ham eq. YAESU and ICOM. But as a whipped portable and holiday receiver - quite nice, but the king ??

73s Sid

1744. Re: [de1103] Insensitive DE1103; 100-kHz-mod; ser.no.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-22 14:31:20 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1743 Message: 1744

----- Original Message -----
From: "df8dq" <titreyengoel@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 22, 2008 12:13 PM
Subject: [de1103] Insensitive DE1103; 100-kHz-mod; ser.no.

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Mine is just about as sensitive on HF as my large Redifon R551N
communications receiver and my FT-817ND and FT-897 transceivers.

Leon

1745. Re: Insensitive DE1103; 100-kHz-mod; ser.no.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-23 02:47:57 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1743 Message: 1745

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Pass filter of DE has a roll-off of gain (amplitude frequency
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Yes, you right. Q1 must work instead.. check on outdoor.

1746. Re: [de1103] Re: Insensitive DE1103; 100-kHz-mod; ser.no.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-23 15:21:50 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1743 Message: 1746

Can somebody bring the text to this group in **potable** English about the 12MHz> lack of sensitivity that is published in radioscanner.ru?

Horacio Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

--- El mié, 23/7/08, wind_nv <s2erash@...> escribió:

De: wind_nv <s2erash@...>
Asunto: [de1103] Re: Insensitive DE1103; 100-kHz-mod; ser.no.
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: miércoles, 23 julio, 2008 12:47

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Enviado desde Correo Yahoo! La bandeja de entrada más inteligente.

1747. Re: [de1103] Re: Insensitive DE1103; 100-kHz-mod; ser.no.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-23 15:25:38 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1743 Message: 1747

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1748. protection for Q1

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-23 23:46:51 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1748 Message: 1748

I have just received a spare telescopic antenna from Tao Qu in order to replace the original one which is now loose and prone to fall apart at any time. Having the radio open with the guts exposed, I was thinking that this was a good oportunity to add a little mod to protect Q1, something like adding a couple of 1N4148 diodes. The most accesible point seems to be the whip itself which has a soldered terminal. However I'm unsure as to whether this would protect also the external antenna jack.

I am not sure either if the only circuit diagram available (obtained from radioscanner.ru) is representative of my sample (a Mk IV version).

Thus, before heating the soldering iron I would like to hear other opinions and also to receive some input about the differences existing in the front-end between different versions of the circuit. Does anybody have the circuit diagram of the Mk IV?

Thanks in advance

Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

1749. Re: protection for Q1

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-24 02:22:27 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1748 Message: 1749

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Yes..

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version).

because the external antenna jack is connected to whipe in MK IV
version.

1750. Re: protection for Q1

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-24 02:46:29 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1748 Message: 1750

Moisés:

Look for the file "Kiwa de 1103.jpg" in the file section of this web page. Maybe, it can be of help.

Saludos,

Carlos
Panama

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moisés Knochen <moises.knochen@...> wrote:
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> Montevideo, Uruguay
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1751. Re: Insensitive DE1103; 100-kHz-mod; ser.no.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-24 03:25:11 UTC
From: wind_nv
Topic: 1743 Message: 1751

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Horacio Nigro <hanigrodx@...> wrote:
>
> Can somebody bring the text to this group in **potable** English
about the 12MHz> lack of sensitivity that is published in
radioscanner.ru?

I have uploaded a picture of the new band pass filter -
IrisBPF_DE.gif (see also schematic diagramm of DE)
(See section File)
You are need:
5.6 pF - 1
15 pF - 1
22 pF - 1
130 pF - 2 (It can be two: 82 + 47 pF as I have made).

330nH (0.33uH) - 2 (I've made myself: 11 turns 0.5Cu 5mm diametr)

First:
See pic - http://www.radioscanner.ru/info/radio/degen2/020.jpg
make this.
Second:
http://www.radioscanner.ru/info/radio/degen2/021.jpg
replace L105 on 330nH
Add a new 330nH. Place the 15pF in parallel (not shown on the pic).
Third:
http://www.radioscanner.ru/info/radio/degen2/022.jpg
replace C132 on the 22pF, C135 on the 130pF,add a new 5.6pF and new
130pF as it's shown on the pic.

Check circuit.

1752. SW Reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-24 18:39:17 UTC
From: Tim Dale
Topic: 1752 Message: 1752

I just purchased an KA1103, I was told it was the same as the DE1103. I am trying to tune in SW stations, but I'm not finding many, and the few stations that do come in are weak. I'm using the supplied long wire antenna. FM comes in great and AM comes in okay, but when I go to the SW bands, there is very little to pick up, maybe 5 stations on all the bands combined. Do I need to return the radio? or is this radio just not good at SW reception?

1753. Re: [de1103] SW Reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-24 20:41:42 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1752 Message: 1753

----- Original Message -----
From: "Tim Dale" <tdale4@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 24, 2008 7:39 PM
Subject: [de1103] SW Reception

>I just purchased an KA1103, I was told it was the same as the DE1103. I
> am trying to tune in SW stations, but I'm not finding many, and the few
> stations that do come in are weak. I'm using the supplied long wire
> antenna. FM comes in great and AM comes in okay, but when I go to the
> SW bands, there is very little to pick up, maybe 5 stations on all the
> bands combined. Do I need to return the radio? or is this radio just
> not good at SW reception?

It should be very sensitive, bringing in lots of SW stations on the whip
antenna, especially at night. Yours might be faulty.

Leon

1754. Re: [de1103] SW Reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-24 20:53:52 UTC
From: George Druther K2EWL
Topic: 1752 Message: 1754

Tim Dale wrote:
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> am trying to tune in SW stations, but I'm not finding many, and the few
> stations that do come in are weak. I'm using the supplied long wire
> antenna. FM comes in great and AM comes in okay, but when I go to the
> SW bands, there is very little to pick up, maybe 5 stations on all the
> bands combined. Do I need to return the radio? or is this radio just
> not good at SW reception?
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>
Your DX-Local switch might be in 'local" position check to see that it
is up (DX)

1755. Re: SW Reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-24 21:04:56 UTC
From: George Druther
Topic: 1752 Message: 1755

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon" <leon355@...> wrote:
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> From: "Tim Dale" <tdale4@...>
> To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Thursday, July 24, 2008 7:39 PM
> Subject: [de1103] SW Reception
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> > not good at SW reception?
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> It should be very sensitive, bringing in lots of SW stations on the
whip
> antenna, especially at night. Yours might be faulty.
>
> Leon
>
Your DX-Local switch on the left side of the radio might be in 'local"
position check to see that it is up for (DX)

1756. Re: [de1103] SW Reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-24 21:05:46 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1752 Message: 1756

Hi Tim

It depends on the time of day and the time of year, I'm assuming you are in the Northern Hemisphere, daytime reception is not very good during the summer. Night time reception will be better. The position reverses during the winter when daytime reception is better than night time.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "Tim Dale" <tdale4@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, July 25, 2008 6:39 AM
Subject: [de1103] SW Reception

>I just purchased an KA1103, I was told it was the same as the DE1103. I
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1757. Re: [de1103] SW Reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-24 20:56:15 UTC
From: Vladimir Duk
Topic: 1752 Message: 1757
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1758. Re: SW Reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-25 14:54:09 UTC
From: Tim Dale
Topic: 1752 Message: 1758

Thanks for the replys, I made sure the switch was set to "DX", and I tried both wide and narrow settings last night. Still the same results.

Oddly when I could tune in a station, i would remove the long wire antenna and the reception was about the same with the telescopic antenna. It was a little stronger with the long wire antenna, but there was verry little difference in sound quality.

I was able to tune in about 10 stations throughout the SW bands last night around 10 P.M.

Anyone near central Texas that can give me a few times and frequencise to listen to tonight? I'm thinking something is wrong with my radio and I just want to verify that it's not working correctly before I return it for a differnt radio.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul" <format4nz@...> wrote:
>
> Hi Tim
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> It depends on the time of day and the time of year, I'm assuming you are in
> the Northern Hemisphere, daytime reception is not very good during the
> summer. Night time reception will be better. The position reverses during
> the winter when daytime reception is better than night time.
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> Paul
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> From: "Tim Dale" <tdale4@...>
> To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Friday, July 25, 2008 6:39 AM
> Subject: [de1103] SW Reception
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1759. Re: SW Reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-25 19:27:58 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1752 Message: 1759

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tim Dale" <tdale4@...> wrote:
>
> Thanks for the replys, I made sure the switch was set to "DX", and
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> tried both wide and narrow settings last night. Still the same
> results.
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> Oddly when I could tune in a station, i would remove the long wire
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> there was verry little difference in sound quality.
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> I was able to tune in about 10 stations throughout the SW bands
last
> night around 10 P.M.
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> Anyone near central Texas that can give me a few times and
> frequencise to listen to tonight? I'm thinking something is wrong
> with my radio and I just want to verify that it's not working
> correctly before I return it for a differnt radio.
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Tim: The atmosphere conditions can not be the same the whole day. Even in winter and summer. You must be able to listen many shortwave radio stations during any lapsus of time of the day: in the morning, in the afternoon or at night. In spite of the general conditions of the sky there must an opening during the whole day. Even if it is an small opening.

You have a shortwave radio station in Alabama, near Texas. The WEWN. The station broadcast schedule in english is:

0000 - 0559 = 11520
0600 - 0700 = 7570
0800 - 1000 = 9355
1100 - 1300 = 11560
1400 - 1800 = 15855
1900 - 2300 = 17595

I believe the broadcasting time is the GMT or UTC. But you can try using the EST. I show you different times so you can try all of them. I hear this radio station in Panama, all year long, using only the whip antenna. There are times, of course, in which the signal is weak or very weak. But I do not remember any null signal for more than two days.

If I were you I will send back the radio. This little marvel is so good to catch only 10 stations in one night.

Please, pardon my english writing.

Best regards,

Carlos

1760. Re: SW Reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-25 21:10:25 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 1752 Message: 1760

There is a learning curve to SW listening,. At night most stations will be between 5800-6200, and more in the 7 meg band. I suggest you pick up a copy of Passport To World Band Rqadio which ocntains an exellent primer for SW newbies. It's a great reference.

Jay

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tim Dale" <tdale4@...> wrote:
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> tried both wide and narrow settings last night. Still the same
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> > the winter when daytime reception is better than night time.
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> > Paul
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> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: "Tim Dale" <tdale4@>
> > To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> > Sent: Friday, July 25, 2008 6:39 AM
> > Subject: [de1103] SW Reception
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1761. Re: [de1103] SW Reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-25 21:11:48 UTC
From: Kaligus Campbell
Topic: 1752 Message: 1761

Tim Dale wrote:
> I just purchased an KA1103, I was told it was the same as the DE1103. I
> am trying to tune in SW stations, but I'm not finding many, and the few
> stations that do come in are weak. I'm using the supplied long wire
> antenna. FM comes in great and AM comes in okay, but when I go to the
> SW bands, there is very little to pick up, maybe 5 stations on all the
> bands combined. Do I need to return the radio? or is this radio just
> not good at SW reception?

Others have already mentioned, and you replied on the DX/local switch so
I will leave that alone ;)

I personally have found the included random wire to be less than good on
a good day and worse than bad on a bad day. I have relegated them to
use as a cat toy. I believe in both cases (maybe all cases?) the
jack/plug on the radio/antenna is in some way not up to snuff because I
can wiggle the plug and get decent reception but never good reception
with the wire.

On one of my two [de1103] radios I have gone so far as to remove the
whip and hardwire a coax stub with BNC connector for use strictly at
home with my collection of homebrew antennas.

[deletia]

1762. Re: [de1103] Re: SW Reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-26 01:45:59 UTC
From: Claudio Leite
Topic: 1752 Message: 1762

* jallenhartford2000 (jaypolicow@...) wrote:
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> will be between 5800-6200, and more in the 7 meg band. I suggest you
> pick up a copy of Passport To World Band Rqadio which ocntains an
> exellent primer for SW newbies. It's a great reference.

Also try www.primetimeshortwave.com, which has recently-updated listings
of programs in English. I've gotten pretty much everything listed on
there--halfway around the world at times--on the DE1103 with the whip.
I'm on the east coast but you should hear lots of stuff with a properly
functioning radio at your location.

-Claudio
Wash. DC

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> Jay
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tim Dale" <tdale4@...> wrote:
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> > tried both wide and narrow settings last night. Still the same
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> > > To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> > > Sent: Friday, July 25, 2008 6:39 AM
> > > Subject: [de1103] SW Reception
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1763. DE1102 vs DE1103 ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-27 00:25:47 UTC
From: radeohedca
Topic: 1763 Message: 1763

I wonder if anyone owns both the DE(KA)1102 and DE(KA)1103 and would be kind enough to provide a comparison of performance and features ?

i.e., is the 1103 a better receiver ?

Thanks.
Hugh VA3TO/NA3TO

1764. Re: DE1102 vs DE1103 ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-27 06:05:07 UTC
From: texnote
Topic: 1763 Message: 1764

Excellent comparative reviews of both (and more radios) are by Phil, under the file section of his Yahoo Group at http://groups.yahoo.com/group/phils_radio_articles/

In short, yes, the DE1103 is a better receiver.

Paul

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "radeohedca" <hughd@...> wrote:
>
> I wonder if anyone owns both the DE(KA)1102 and DE(KA)1103 and would
> be kind enough to provide a comparison of performance and features ?
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> Thanks.
> Hugh VA3TO/NA3TO
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1765. Re: [de1103] Re: DE1102 vs DE1103 ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-27 06:11:21 UTC
From: Bill Planck
Topic: 1763 Message: 1765
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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1766. Re: Inclined Whip

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-27 16:16:52 UTC
From: setijens
Topic: 1729 Message: 1766

Okay - after messing around with it, it's quite straight again. Sorry
for the newbie-style question, but I'm really afraid to break things,
which is, why I'm rather cautious.

Best regards
Jens

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "setijens" <setijens@...> wrote:
>
> Hey folks,
> I just wanted to ask you, if it's normal, that the whip antenna looks
> like this:
>
http://us.a2.yahoofs.com/groups/g_17032067/823d/__sr_/4e15.jpg?grQukcIBa.JWrXre
>
> I ask, because my receiver fell on the floor yesterday, but I think
> the antenna also wasn't straight up before.
>
> Best regards
> Jens
>

1767. DE1103 and FM transmitter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-27 16:21:05 UTC
From: setijens
Topic: 1767 Message: 1767

Hey folks,
just in case someone had the same idea, that I had - connecting a FM-transmitter to the headphone or line-out jack, and use an MP3-Player for recording - here's a small report of my experience.

To make it short: It's not really a good solution. I tried many frequencies, but it always produced lots of interference - although some other experienced DXers said, they didn't have problems with that and used this method. Might be a DE1103-specific problem or it might be the wrong transmitter, but using an audio cable really should be a better solution.
Oh and on the first glance Audacity really seems to be a nice freeware tool to do the recording.

Best regards
Jens

1768. Re:DE1102 vs DE1103 ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-27 17:03:05 UTC
From: Gary Sargent
Topic: 1763 Message: 1768

I have both .. and both are fine radios, especially for the price.

A few of the things important to me are:

1. The 1102 is smaller, almost pocket size. Sometimes this makes me use it where that is significant.
2. The 1103 has the tuning knob .. which I much prefer over simple up-down tuning buttons.
3. The 1103 has a slightly wider tuning range.
4. The 1103 has the much discussed fake analog tuning dial, which I generally like. I can have frequencies set for each of the bands and then jump to them as I go from band to band. Also, many of the ham bands also fall within these displayed bands, which is useful for the same reasons.
5. Others may disagree, but in my book they both receive about the same (I'm maybe less discriminating than others). Both are very good on FM.
6. The 1102 seems more robust and solid. The build quality on both is very good.
7. The 1103 allows tuning in the SSB mode on any band/memory, the 1102 only allows SSB on one memory bank.

If I had to pick just one, it would be the 1103.

Good luck!

1769. Re: DE1102 vs DE1103 ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-27 17:25:14 UTC
From: texnote
Topic: 1763 Message: 1769

Phil goes into a lot of detail in his reviews of boths radios (actually he recommends both) which you could read about. The DE1103 is more sensitive, and the SSB function on it is easier to access, among othe reasons. The 1102 is a good travel portable.

Quote from his review: "The DE1103 is better for DX due to its sensitivity and overload immunity; however it is larger and SSB is not as good (newer DE1103 units have improved SSB)."

Paul

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Bill Planck" <bill.k9kz@...> wrote:
>
> On Sun, Jul 27, 2008 at 2:05 AM, texnote <texnote@...> wrote:
>
> > Excellent comparative reviews of both (and more radios) are by
Phil,
> > under the file section of his Yahoo Group at
> > http://groups.yahoo.com/group/phils_radio_articles/
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> > In short, yes, the DE1103 is a better receiver.
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> How so Paul?
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> Bill
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1770. Re: DE1102 vs DE1103 ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-27 22:45:49 UTC
From: Hugh Duff
Topic: 1763 Message: 1770

Thanks to all for the replies.
I just picked up an 1103 so it sounds like I made the right choice.

Hugh VA3TO/NA3TO

1771. DE1103 FS

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-28 16:38:58 UTC
From: John
Topic: 1771 Message: 1771

Have two, need one. New in May 08.
Complete with all accessories, works perfect.

$55 shipped

John
Boise, Idaho

1772. Re: DE1102 vs DE1103 ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-28 20:17:58 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 1763 Message: 1772

You sure did...

I have a Kenwood TS480sat hf transceiver and the 1103 is the easy
choice to check the bands for activity. Hell, I can get topband nets
just as readable - amazing little radio for the money.

It is handy as a digital mode receiver as well

I use DM780 software standalone to decode psk, rtty (and yes cw)
For those who dont know...
You simply connect audio from 1103 to pc line in and the software
(mostly free) displays all the weird noises as text and even slow scan
tv pictures from around the world - great!

Mike G0HCI

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> Hugh VA3TO/NA3TO
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1773. Re: [de1103] Re: DE1102 vs DE1103 ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-28 21:03:34 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1763 Message: 1773

Mike wrote:
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> tv pictures from around the world - great!
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> Mike G0HCI
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Mike:

I run the audio from my 1103 into my iMac, using Cocoamodem software. The only difficulty has been the high amount of noise that the cabling into my A/D converter seems to bring. I've put an audio rfi eliminator into the line, and it hasn't helped all that much.

I can copy PSK31, Morse, RTTY and similar, but the signal isn't very clean, and I am sure that I am missing a lot of the band action. Any suggestions?

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM
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1774. Experience with HF-Fax?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-29 19:46:04 UTC
From: setijens
Topic: 1774 Message: 1774

Hey folks,
I just tried to receiver weather messages with my de1103. RTTY works absolutely fine - however I'm unable to receive facsimile-images. I used JVComm and SeaTTY - no luck with both (settings were correct). I do hear the fax-signal - it even looks okay in the spectrum, but all I get is rather rubbish.

Does anyone have the same problem?

Best regards
Jens

1775. Re: [de1103] Re: DE1102 vs DE1103 ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-30 00:12:19 UTC
From: Paul (Skywarn)
Topic: 1763 Message: 1775

use a 1:1 audio isolating transformer from Radio Shack
red, white, blue, green and black(not used) wires on it

Use red white as input I believe and Blue Green to your
computer software input for fax and rtty. The hashing
sound should diminish quite a bit.

Also an old isolating power transformer would
be good too. for filtering ac similar hash noise

use ac input for audio input out output as dc out.
normally used to be filtered with capacitors for
filtered dc voltage,
----- Original Message -----
From: Gordon Cooper
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, July 28, 2008 5:03 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: DE1102 vs DE1103 ???

Mike wrote:
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suggestions?

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM
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1776. Re: [de1103] Re: DE1102 vs DE1103 ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-30 02:19:03 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1763 Message: 1776

Paul (Skywarn) wrote:
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> Also an old isolating power transformer would
> be good too. for filtering ac similar hash noise
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> use ac input for audio input out output as dc out.
> normally used to be filtered with capacitors for
> filtered dc voltage,

Thanks much, I'll try and come up with a 1:1 power transformer and see
how well that works.

73,

Gordon
KE7RYM
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1777. Re: DE1102 vs DE1103 ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-30 05:05:04 UTC
From: abizarlakdawalla
Topic: 1763 Message: 1777

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul \(Skywarn\)" <wxwatch@...> wrote:
>
> use a 1:1 audio isolating transformer from Radio Shack
> red, white, blue, green and black(not used) wires on it
>
> Use red white as input I believe and Blue Green to your
> computer software input for fax and rtty. The hashing
> sound should diminish quite a bit.
>
>
>
> Also an old isolating power transformer would
> be good too. for filtering ac similar hash noise
>
> use ac input for audio input out output as dc out.
> normally used to be filtered with capacitors for
> filtered dc voltage,
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Gordon Cooper
>
> I run the audio from my 1103 into my iMac, using Cocoamodem software.
Any
> suggestions?
>
> Gordon Cooper
> KE7RYM
> >
> >
>

Transformers from old modems / modem cards work really well too.

1778. Re: [de1103] Re: DE1102 vs DE1103 ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-30 12:02:11 UTC
From: Vladimir Duk
Topic: 1763 Message: 1778
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

[Attachment content not displayed]

1779. Re: Experience with HF-Fax?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-30 14:57:58 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1774 Message: 1779

Hi Jens,

If i recall it correctly:
SSB-mode, appr. 1900Hz below station frequency.
E.g.: station frequency 518 kHz
receiver frequency 516.1 kHz
Play a little with the off-set freq. 1900 Hz.

Hope it helps a little...
Reg.: jan

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "setijens" <setijens@...> wrote:
>
> Hey folks,
> I just tried to receiver weather messages with my de1103. RTTY works
> absolutely fine - however I'm unable to receive facsimile-images. I
> used JVComm and SeaTTY - no luck with both (settings were correct). I
> do hear the fax-signal - it even looks okay in the spectrum, but all I
> get is rather rubbish.
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> Does anyone have the same problem?
>
> Best regards
> Jens
>

1780. Re: Experience with HF-Fax?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-30 16:30:10 UTC
From: setijens
Topic: 1774 Message: 1780

Hey Jan,
thank you for your suggestion. I already read about this. The German weather service (DWD) uses three frequencies. I tried them all and als tried -2 and -1 kHz. No luck. All I get is diagonal strips. So actually I do receive something (I also hear the signal), is just totally distorted.

This is so strange, as I receive RTTY just fine.
Oh and by the way: I live only about 20km away from the transmitter site. So have you done it successfully with your DE1103?

Best regards
Jens

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> > Best regards
> > Jens
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1781. New Member ~ Where are the newbie files at

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-30 17:30:36 UTC
From: reedc012
Topic: 1781 Message: 1781

Hi ALL,

Should be getting my radio soon have looked for newbie files to get me started.At my suprise I could not find any. I do have the passport to world band radio edition 2007 but is this all I need. Please directany files and or help files that will get me started. Thanks.Reed

1782. Re: [de1103] New Member ~ Where are the newbie files at

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-30 20:45:35 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1781 Message: 1782

----- Original Message -----
From: "reedc012" <reedc012@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2008 6:30 PM
Subject: [de1103] New Member ~ Where are the newbie files at

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> started.At my suprise I could not find any. I do have the passport to
> world band radio edition 2007 but is this all I need. Please directany
> files and or help files that will get me started. Thanks.Reed

You'll find some material in the Files section.

Leon
--
Leon Heller
Amateur radio call-sign G1HSM
Yaesu FT-817ND and FT-857D transceivers
Suzuki SV1000S motorcycle
leon355@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller

1783. Re: Experience with HF-Fax?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-31 14:33:19 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1774 Message: 1783

Hi Jens,

Read the help-files of that program
and search for "slant correction".

The bandwidth switch between "TUNE" wheel and "FINE" wheel:
select narrow / news.(Receiver DE / Kiota? 1103)

Playing with the frequency can also be done using
the "FINE" tuning wheel.

You are half way down because there is a picture
only it is not readiable.
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Help file SeaTTY 2.0:

"<-/|\->" button is used for slant correction. Vertical lines of
received image are slanted when sound card sampling frequency
difference from nominal one. Slant correction, at first, fix received
image and, at second, calculate real sampling frequency to avoid slant
distortion in future receiving.
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Write down on paper every simple changes you made
because human memory is not reliable....

Regards:

jan

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1784. Re: New Member ~ Where are the newbie files at

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-31 18:24:42 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1781 Message: 1784

Hi Reed,

Your questions sounds like "i want to swim but there is no water".
"At my suprise I could not find any." you wrote.

Thats all is the way you shout not travel...

If you get the 1103 ask more relative questions to this group.

B.t.w....using the tab make's your text visiable.

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Thanks.

Reed

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1785. New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-31 19:00:37 UTC
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343 Message: 1785

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the de1103
group.

File : /HF-Fax_20080731_1847.PNG
Uploaded by : krysatec <krysatec@...>
Description : HF fax today - picture in png format

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/HF-Fax_20080731_1847.PNG

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/l/us/yahoo/groups/original/members/web/index.htmlfiles

Regards,

krysatec <krysatec@...>

1786. Re: Experience with HF-Fax?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-31 19:04:59 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 1774 Message: 1786

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "setijens" <setijens@...> wrote:
>
> Hey folks,
> I just tried to receiver weather messages with my de1103. RTTY works
> absolutely fine - however I'm unable to receive facsimile-images. I
> used JVComm and SeaTTY - no luck with both (settings were correct).
I
> do hear the fax-signal - it even looks okay in the spectrum, but all
I
> get is rather rubbish.
>
> Does anyone have the same problem?
>
> Best regards
> Jens
>
Hi Jens,

I try it now. I use signal direct from Degen line out to computer line in. Software JVCOMM32, IOC 576, LPM120. It work without problem, I use mini-whip antenna. See picture in "files".

But small problem: if you receive 3855kHz, you must set 3854kHz because BFO has very small band and if you set 3855, you cannot set good signal for software!

Regards, Jara "Rat", Czechia

1787. Re: Experience with HF-Fax?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-31 21:03:46 UTC
From: setijens
Topic: 1774 Message: 1787

Hey Jan,
thanks for the help - THAT was the important hint.
Seems, my sound-card really is shit. Have you ever seen a picture
messed up like this?
http://us.a2.yahoofs.com/groups/g_17032067/823d/__sr_/9765.jpg?groJmkIB9eFyyW4P

Well - at least with my laptop I have much less trouble receiving.
Still would be nice, if the desktop worked as well.

Best regards
Jens

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "legonedijk" <legonedijk@...> wrote:
>
> Hi Jens,
>
> Read the help-files of that program
> and search for "slant correction".
>
> The bandwidth switch between "TUNE" wheel and "FINE" wheel:
> select narrow / news.(Receiver DE / Kiota? 1103)
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> Playing with the frequency can also be done using
> the "FINE" tuning wheel.
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> Write down on paper every simple changes you made
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> Regards:
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1788. Kaito 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-31 22:36:24 UTC
From: k9kz
Topic: 1788 Message: 1788

I am considering buying the Kaito version. How is the quality control on the Kaito's? Any tips on buying appreciated.

Bill K9KZ

1789. Re: [de1103] Re: New Member ~ Where are the newbie files at

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-07-31 22:50:39 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1781 Message: 1789

Some warnings for a newbie on this receiver I consider very important:

1)Read the instruction manual to learn the basic operating procedures. You have to fullfil the "learning curve". It's not so difficult.

2)Do not play extensively with the telescopic detachable antenna. It's reported to be delicate. For FM reception very good to excellent results are achieved with the telescopic antenna collapsed, particularly if you live in an urban or suburban area. You surely will discover new stations never listened before.

3)MW reception of stations from different geographical locations -considering the direction where they are coming from- can be better received (and separated if they are in the same or very near/adjacent frequency) by rotating the receiver in an horizontal plane.

4)It's better you charge the supplied batteries in a separate dedicated battery charger. The best are NiMH batteries. The built in charger in the receiver doesn't rival the performance of a separated one.

5)Better results in SW are with an external antenna, no need to be very long. Try the simple way, a wire (can be insulated) between two anchor points, better if isolated from ground (walls, trees), and the proximal end of the wire connected to a mono plug to the antenna jack. The ground terminal of the plug should be connected to electrical ground, an exclusive one (don't use the house ground).

6)Be careful to avoid touching the telescopic antenna in dry and windy weather, without discharging both yourself and the near end tip the external antenna the eventual static electrical charge the body, cloth, antenna may had gained in those days with the referred atmospheric conditions. Also disconnect (mains/external antenna) and do not work with the radio whenever strong electrical storm occur.

I am forgetting something :)

Good luck!!!

Regards

Horacio

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De: legonedijk <lgonedijk@...>
Asunto: [de1103] Re: New Member ~ Where are the newbie files at
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: jueves, 31 julio, 2008 4:24

Hi Reed,

Your questions sounds like "i want to swim but there is no water".
"At my suprise I could not find any." you wrote.

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If you get the 1103 ask more relative questions to this group.

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Enviado desde Correo Yahoo! La bandeja de entrada más inteligente.

1790. Re: Experience with HF-Fax?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-01 00:16:23 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1774 Message: 1790

Very early good morning Jens and Jara "the rat",

Good contrast on both pictures!!
The picture from Jens is a bit strange...white marks!!!
What you can do is making a .wav / audio recording of that
signal from the 1103 and replay it as an input for the program
that will gives you the picture. Duplex facility of the soundcard
must be there.
Play with input volume of the soundcard.

Beside all: never use a mono jack 3,5 mm as input to your
soundcard !!! Always a stereo jack!!
For the laptop, if there is no line-in / stereo, you can use a mono
jack for the mic-in.

In my case the laptop is a problem maker. Interference
or a ground loop is what it gives.

About the soundcard:
Using programs like WxtoImg, Shipplotter, MMSStv,PDW...etc..etc..
a simple outdated soundcard is the best.

Mister Jara "the rat" correct me if i wrote some stupid things.

B.t.w.: Sorry for my 2penny English...

Reg.: jan

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1791. Re: Experience with HF-Fax?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-01 06:42:35 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 1774 Message: 1791

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "legonedijk" <legonedijk@...> wrote:
>
> Very early good morning Jens and Jara "the rat",

>
> Beside all: never use a mono jack 3,5 mm as input to your
> soundcard !!! Always a stereo jack!!
> For the laptop, if there is no line-in / stereo, you can use a mono
> jack for the mic-in.
>

Hi Jan,

I think that problem with stereojack is not in all cases. Here is problem only if you use software, which need signal in both channels, but most software work also with signal only in left, right (or both) channels by setting. You can often set also line or mic input in computer.
It is for instance Hoka Code (Code 300-32), Skysweeper...
(see http://www.krysatec.benghi.org/obrazky/jine-others/hokacode.jpg and http://www.krysatec.benghi.org/obrazky/jine-others/skyssw.png)

But you need not very good computer, you can use "Hamcomm modem" and software for DOS: (JVfax 7 for fax, other programs for SSTV and VERY good software Radioraft for RTTY and other modes! Hamcom modem is simply, you can built it homemade, you need only a few parts and one IC, for instance "old" uA741...)

I often use Radioraft, because it is better than other and complicated programs. (It dont work under WinXp! You must start your computer in DOS!...and you need also comport in your computer, not only "USB", but you need not audiocard and programme work also with 386 or 486 - neeed not "Pentium"!!)

(see: http://www.krysatec.benghi.org/obrazky/jine-others/rraft2.gif)

I think that problem is if you use stereojack and mic-in input.
Here is one wire for audio but second wire for power for electret mic!
And it is problem, because you send some voltage from computer to audio output and it is not good for every receiver!

Your DE1103 you can use also with others programme, see:

http://www.krysatec.benghi.org/obrazky/jine-others/ale.png
http://www.krysatec.benghi.org/obrazky/jine-others/selcal.png
http://www.krysatec.benghi.org/obrazky/jine-others/hfdl.png

but stability of BFO is not very good for HFDL...

You can try also SSTV! (see: http://www.krysatec.benghi.org/obrazky/jine-others/mmsstv.jpg)

And for audio you can use very good software Xcorder, see: http://www.krysatec.benghi.org/obrazky/jine-others/xcorder.jpg

Best regards, Jara "Rat"

1792. Re: DE1102 vs DE1103 ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-01 07:42:26 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 1763 Message: 1792

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "radeohedca" <hughd@...> wrote:
>
> I wonder if anyone owns both the DE(KA)1102 and DE(KA)1103 and would
> be kind enough to provide a comparison of performance and features ?
>
> i.e., is the 1103 a better receiver ?
>
> Thanks.
> Hugh VA3TO/NA3TO
>

Hi,

I have two DE1103 and one DE1121, and somebody say that 1121 use the same receiver as 1102.

Both problem is "shit rechergable battery by Degen". You must use other... or use very problematic system for formatting of battery.

DE1103 is very good, I have two: one with homemade ouput for RDS decoder and 150/180kHz IF filters in 10.7MHz IF in my hamshack and second with 110/110kHz filters for "portable". (You can heard stations which you cannot heard with wide band filters, but 110kHz is very narrow for good function of RDS decoder!)

I think that DE1102 (also as 1121) have not external antenna input for LW/MW band and it is bad... but with DE1103 you can tune from "0" kHz to 40MHz (russian modification by setting) and here you can use external input also for LW/MW band!!!
And you can also use telescopic antenna also for LW/MW -it is often better than feritte antenna!!!

DE1121 have not line out audio, it is also very bad.

I must say that immunity and selectivity of DE1121 (and I think that 1102 is the same) is very very bad for AM and also FM!!!
And BFO has very hard setting...

I dont know sure, if DE1121 is "better version" of DE1102, but it is "big step to shit"! (Control is very complicated, often indeterminate, and parameters are very poor!)
Best idea will be "DE1103 with MP recorder..."

Or: better idea than DE1121 is "buy DE1103 and external MP3 recorder"
...
And best idea is DE1103 with other display and for instance with RDS decoder!

Only one is terrible: DE1103 volume setting! Yes, you can try change "volume" and "bfo" by russian modification, but it is not help which you often heard also SSB.

I tested also ATS909, but it is big as brick, parameters are not better and audio quality by internal speaker is not very good. Many peoples here say that DE1103 have better audio...

De1103 work also often better than biggest and more costly receivers. For instance: I heard without problems HAM beacon SK6RUD in 10MHz band from JO67KI and I live in JN89HE locator. Beacon use GP antenna and 0, 5W EIRP! (I use 10m longwire)
(But...no signal with DE1121.)

Best regards, Jara "Rat"

1793. New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-01 07:52:45 UTC
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343 Message: 1793

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the de1103
group.

File : /preselectornew.zip
Uploaded by : krysatec <krysatec@...>
Description : My preselector 50k-30MHz in pictures

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/preselectornew.zip

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/l/us/yahoo/groups/original/members/web/index.htmlfiles

Regards,

krysatec <krysatec@...>

1794. Preselector 50kHz ...30MHz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-01 08:17:50 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 1794 Message: 1794

Hi all,

I sent to "files" many pictures of my home made preselector, which I use with Degens and with my DX394. (But it work also with OTHER receivers!)

Sorry, here is not text, but schematics is very simply and you can see pictures! (Only one: if you can , use metall box, not plastic as me!) If you have problem, you can write me!

All is tested, I built more than 50 preselectors for my friends or CSDXC (Czechoslovak DX Club) members.

You can use it also with "active antenna", good is "mini-whip" by PA0RDT!

PCB is in "1:1" bmp file: you can make own by picture.
Box is plastic box KP4: see here:
http://www.ges.cz/?search=KP4&page=index&inc=search&or=sort&ipp=12&lang=cz&cur=CZK

but metall box is better!!! (But very problematic and costly here for me...)

You can use it for more receivers, and many antennas: I use it for mini-whip, 40m longwire, T2FD, GP 28MHz and CB antenna 1/2lambda for 27MHz band.

If you have small parts, you can built it smaller! (problem is with small capacitor and small switch for bands here...)

See also solar power supply with also 4NiMH accu for Degen:
http://krysatec.benghi.org/phprs/view.php?cisloclanku=2007081801
http://krysatec.benghi.org/phprs/images/200708030755_nabijec.jpg

and

http://krysatec.benghi.org/phprs/images/200712312019_3.jpg
http://krysatec.benghi.org/phprs/images/200712312019_4.jpg
http://krysatec.benghi.org/phprs/images/200712071103_zdroj.jpg

power supply 12V and cca 1,7 to 12V regulated with Pb accu 12V 1,3Ah in "old box for 10 diskette"....

It is very good for portable: you can use 12V for preamlifier or active antenna and regulated voltage for receiver or scanner currently.

I hope that it will be inspire for you!

And sorry my english, I learnt it cca. 25y ago...

Best regards, Jara "Rat"

1795. Re: Experience with HF-Fax?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-01 13:43:17 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1774 Message: 1795

Hi Jarat,

If you compare a mono and a stereo jack there is a posibility
that the mono jack short-circuit one of the stereo channels to
ground.

The audio input on a vista laptop is in my case a simple mic-in.
Pc-HFDL 2.041 is not possible on the vista laptop.

One remark: thanks for your input!!!!

Reg.: jan

1796. World Map

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-02 14:25:10 UTC
From: reedc012
Topic: 1796 Message: 1796

Does Any one already have a world map set up I found one here for $19

If somecone could give a suggetion thath woyulod be great

Please advise

http://www.maps.com/map.aspx?nav=MS&cid=22,24&pid=2057

1797. Newer versions of DE1103 vs. the Eton E5

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-12 15:38:10 UTC
From: texnote
Topic: 1797 Message: 1797

I understand that the RF circuitry in the DE1103 is virtually identical to the Eton E5/Grundig G5. However for those with both radios, especially more recent DE1103 units, do you notice any performance differences on AM, FM, or SW? If you already have an E5, does it make sense at all to get a 1103 as well?

1798. Re: Newer versions of DE1103 vs. the Eton E5

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-12 16:33:57 UTC
From: radeohedca
Topic: 1797 Message: 1798

It doesn't make sense to replace the E5/G5 with a DE1103 since they have the same RF performance but if you want a 2nd receiver then the DE1103 is half the price so that would be my choice.

Hugh VA3TO/NA3TO

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1799. small antenna??

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-12 18:19:19 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1799 Message: 1799

http://www.pd1dx.com/mast2/mast2.htm

1800. Re: [de1103] Newer versions of DE1103 vs. the Eton E5

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-13 03:36:13 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1797 Message: 1800

I like my newer 1103 better than the G5 I have. The software tricks make it a more enjoyable radio for me. Just my take.....
----- Original Message -----
From: texnote
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2008 11:38 AM
Subject: [de1103] Newer versions of DE1103 vs. the Eton E5

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Version: 8.0.138 / Virus Database: 270.6.1/1607 - Release Date: 8/12/2008 7:19 AM

1801. Re: Newer versions of DE1103 vs. the Eton E5

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-12 23:12:50 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 1797 Message: 1801

I just bought the G5 on sale at Radio Shack after weighing the pros and cons of both. Ultimately I made my decision based on two factors: first, I prefer to be able to buy something locally in case there's a problem with it, and second, I much preferred the G5 look and layout to the Degen interface with the analog pointer. My guess is that aside from the differences on the front panel, they are functionally identical.

I took my G5 apart and confirmed that it has the factory diode protection installed. It would be interesting to know if they are also present in the latest DE1103's.

Nelson

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1802. Re: Newer versions of DE1103 vs. the Eton E5

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-13 04:41:17 UTC
From: pphilbro
Topic: 1797 Message: 1802

My de1103 does have the diode protection installed (purch. about 10 weeks ago. Great radio, well worth the price, interface grows on you. Don't have experience with the Eton, however my 20 Year old Sony 7600D is now sadly neglected.

1803. Re: [de1103] Re: Newer versions of DE1103 vs. the Eton E5

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-13 09:13:49 UTC
From: OK_3022
Topic: 1797 Message: 1803

Hi,
I heard from my friend who´s got the latest Degen DE1103 (produced April 2008 - silver version)) there is a protection diode inside.

--- On Tue, 8/12/08, Nelson <greenbrier614@...> wrote:
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1804. Diode protection?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-13 17:00:02 UTC
From: rollanders
Topic: 1804 Message: 1804

What is this? How can I see if I have it? Can I add this myself?

1805. Re: Diode protection?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-13 21:14:50 UTC
From: texnote
Topic: 1804 Message: 1805

The only real way to know is to open up the radio and look just below where the whip antenna is connected, and if you see two glass diodes (are probably colored reddish brown) then the diodes are installed.

I think you can probably buy the diodes from kiwa (kiwa.com) and install it yourself. Kiwa sells it for the Eton E5/Grundig G5, but they should work for the DE1103.

Paul

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "rollanders" <rollanders@...> wrote:
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1806. SV: [de1103] Re: Diode protection?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-14 05:52:42 UTC
From: roland andersson
Topic: 1804 Message: 1806

Will this diode also protect the longwire antenna input? What kind of diode is it? I live in Sweden and I can probably find diodes here. What is the intended function of this diode? Is there a description of this modification somewhere?

greetings
Roland

--- Den ons 2008-08-13 skrev texnote <texnote@...>:

Från: texnote <texnote@...>
Ämne: [de1103] Re: Diode protection?
Till: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Datum: onsdag 13 augusti 2008 23.14

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Paul

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Ta semester! - sök efter resor hos Kelkoo.
Jämför pris på flygbiljetter och hotellrum här:
http://www.kelkoo.se/c-169901-resor-biljetter.html?partnerId=96914052

1807. Re: [de1103] Re: Diode protection?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-15 01:10:09 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1804 Message: 1807

I got the diodes! Thanks
----- Original Message -----
From: roland andersson
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2008 1:52 AM
Subject: SV: [de1103] Re: Diode protection?

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Hitta din tvillingsjäl på Yahoo! Dejting: http://se.meetic.yahoo.net

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Version: 8.0.138 / Virus Database: 270.6.1/1608 - Release Date: 8/12/2008 4:59 PM

1808. DE1103 take down

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-15 15:44:18 UTC
From: torin_2
Topic: 1808 Message: 1808

I took my 1103 apart today to have a look inside.
I got it all back together fine except for the little lanyard carrying rope thing. I can't get this to stay in the radio. Does it loop around someting inside the radio?
Mine just slips out of the radio and wont stay in.

1809. Re: [de1103] DE1103 take down

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-16 01:00:13 UTC
From: Kaligus Campbell
Topic: 1808 Message: 1809

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hole, down over the screw (case) just below the antenna mounting point.

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1810. Re: DE1103 take down

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-16 06:10:59 UTC
From: torin_2
Topic: 1808 Message: 1810

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Kaligus Campbell <kaligus@...> wrote:
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pain but I got it..

Thanks again

1811. MWLIST worldwide mediumwave & longwave database

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-16 19:50:40 UTC
From: bjorntryba
Topic: 1811 Message: 1811

Dear radio listeners and DXers,

this is a friendly invitaion to MWLIST (Mediumwave List)

welcome to MWLIST, this is a new easy to use free public
worldwide software database of mediumwave & longwave
broadcast stations.

www.mwlist.org

Additionaly, bandscans or logs can instantly be created or
edited using the PHP online MyAM tool included in MWLIST.
This makes creating bandscans much easier and handled
more practicaly, export
in csv spreapsheet format is possible, this can be converted to
excel or other formats. The regular html format can easliy be
copied and added elsewhere. Bandscans can be linked directly
to other websites and logs easily copied into forums or mailing
lists.

Our team wants to follow a new concept and our goal is to
create a much more diverse and much more usable software
and data resource than ever before for broadcast radio.

This database software can be used also as a framework for
exporting or presenting radio station data on other websites, if
you are interested in becoming a partner website of MWLIST,
please see contact details below.

For AM and MW DXers worldwide

Interested in AM radio - MW DXing - LW DXing?

Why not join the MWLIST project!

MWLIST is a (non-commercial, hobby-made) worldwide
database of MW & LW radio stations

We feature world-wide data and seek:

- Data sources for MW radio from all around the world

- Collaborators as country editors and news reporters from all
over the world

- More location or transmitter details, more technical details

- MW DXers to make use of the data for logs, bandscans and further reception analysis

MWLIST includes map, logs and bandscan features, data is available on-line, you can download it as PDF file or convert logs to a spreadsheet format. Direct linking of any bandscan is possible.

Please let us know what you think about this project, or notify us about any missing stations and more corrections.

Please have a look at http://www.mwlist.org/ or get in touch with us at:

glorenz@...

the first major update for MWLIST data from North America (CAN and USA) is now complete, these first steps included converting coordinates to precisce arcsecond readings, updating station names and call signs, removing or updating inactive stations in Canada, a few coordinates on Caribbean islands. Additionaly data for many locations in Asia was updated including precisce coordinates.

This means that if you now go to the MWLIST country list and select to show a transmitter map CAN or the US you can see amost all transmitters at once on Google Earth, try it out!

The next planned major update includes adding low power MW and TIS stations from CAN and the US, plus updating coordinates from Mexico to arcsecond readings. Next we plan to integrate day and night antenna diagram maps for US MW transmitters.

Another big data update is planned for Brasil including very presisce coordinates, already a few stations like 1220 Radio Globo use arcsecond coordinates (visible on a map link).

Any reports or suggestions, comments are most welcome. Reports can easily be done using the interface of the database software, anyone wanting to edit or update data can join our team.

Thanks for your attention and best regards

Björn Tryba and Günter Lorenz (FMLIST and MWLIST database team)

www.mwlist.org - www.fmlist.org

1812. Re: DE1103 take down

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-17 16:33:39 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 1808 Message: 1812

It's too bad that manufacturers don't make decent leather carry cases
for their radios anymore.

I remember this radio

http://www.oldradios.com/tn/dec96/index.htm

came with a real leather case and carry strap included. The leather
would get scuffed a little but the radio remained pristine -- and the
radio didn't have to be removed until the batteries needed changing.

All you can find now is some cheap plastic pouch that is only useful
to store the radio in.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "torin_2" <ronkress2@...> wrote:
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> Thanks again
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1813. Re: DE1103 take down

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-17 16:39:14 UTC
From: reedc012
Topic: 1808 Message: 1813

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nash" <nash2042004@...> wrote:
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WOW talk about vintage radio

1814. Re: New Member ~ Where are the newbie files at

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-17 16:41:53 UTC
From: reedc012
Topic: 1781 Message: 1814

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Horacio Nigro <hanigrodx@...> wrote:
>
> Some warnings for a newbie on this receiver I consider very important:
> Â
> 1)Read the instruction manual to learn the basic operating procedures. You have to fullfil the "learning curve". It's not so difficult.
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> 2)Do not play extensively with the telescopic detachable antenna. It's reported to be delicate. For FM receptionÂ very good to excellent resultsÂ are achieved with the telescopic antenna collapsed, particularly if you live in an urban or suburban area. You surely will discover new stations never listened before.
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> 3)MW reception of stations from different geographical locations -considering the direction where they are coming from- can beÂ better received (and separated if they are in the same or very near/adjacent frequency) by rotating the receiver in an horizontal plane.
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> 4)It's better you charge the supplied batteries in a separate dedicated battery charger. The best are NiMH batteries. The built in charger in the receiver doesn't rival the performance of a separated one.
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> 5)Better results in SW are with an external antenna, no need to be very long. Try the simple way, a wire (can be insulated) between two anchor points, better if isolated from ground (walls, trees), and the proximal end of the wire connected to a mono plug to the antenna jack. The ground terminal of the plug should be connected to electrical ground, an exclusive one (don't use the house ground).
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> 6)Be careful to avoid touching the telescopic antenna in dry and windy weather, without discharging both yourselfÂ and the near end tipÂ the external antenna the eventual static electrical charge the body, cloth, antenna may had gained in those days with the referred atmospheric conditions. AlsoÂ disconnect (mains/external antenna) and do not work with the radio whenever strong electrical storm occur.
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> I am forgetting something :)
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> Good luck!!!
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> Regards
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> Horacio
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> De: legonedijk lgonedijk@...
> Asunto: [de1103] Re: New Member ~ Where are the newbie files at
> Para: de1103@...m
> Fecha: jueves, 31 julio, 2008 4:24
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> Hi Reed,
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> Your questions sounds like "i want to swim but there is no water".
> "At my suprise I could not find any." you wrote.
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> Thats all is the way you shout not travel...
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> If you get the 1103 ask more relative questions to this group.
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> B.t.w....using the tab make's your text visiable.
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups. com, "reedc012" reedc012@ .> wrote:
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1815. Re: New Member ~ Where are the newbie files at

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-18 14:42:15 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1781 Message: 1815

> >
The www is your source.
Put in Google e.g. "hamradio".
Find out if there is a radio-amateur club actieve in your country.
Go for your novice license.

Reg.: jan
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1816. Re: New Member ~ Where are the newbie files at

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-18 14:53:25 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1781 Message: 1816

http://www.iaru.org/iaru-soc.html

1817. Cable in mic instead of line in

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-20 04:10:09 UTC
From: Sean Bradford Inggs
Topic: 1817 Message: 1817

Hi all,

I came across a post here mentioning using carefully aimmed nailpolish on the plug into the mic helps cut down the noise but is there still voltage going to the radio then? Will this damage the radio?

I look forward to your comments.

I apologise if it's already been mentioned and a solution has been made, I searched but didn't find anything (it is 6am and I havent slept yet so it's possible I did...)

Many thanks
Brad

1818. SV: [de1103] Re: Diode protection?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-24 09:43:01 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 1804 Message: 1818

Roland,

I just purchased a G5, but the board is the same. If you take your unit apart, there should be two glass diodes in parallel facing in opposite directions soldered from the antenna terminal to circuit board ground. It's fairly noticeable, since it's clearly an afterthought.

Looking at the schematic, it seems that the external antenna bypasses Q1, so it probably isn't an issue.

Nelson

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, roland andersson <rollanders@...> wrote:
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1819. Re: [de1103] Cable in mic instead of line in

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-26 06:40:48 UTC
From: Kaligus Campbell
Topic: 1817 Message: 1819

Sean Bradford Inggs wrote:
> Hi all,
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> Many thanks
> Brad

I tested with my milivolt meter and it said no, there is no voltage using a 24v 10 amp transformer on one end of the cable and the meter on the other end with a range of jacks.

I have also tried several types of nail polish.

The best working polish for this task is the cheap clear extra hardness from the local supermarket or discounter. "Sally Hansen" and "Walmart" are the current bottle but others have been tested previously.

Another good choice is the 'sally beauty' undercoat, though this one dries with a bit of a tackiness like really old soda spilled on a table a month ago. Not enough stick to cause trouble but enough to make me wonder if long term it may.

There is also a pitch black a friend got which she thinks she found at trenz or similar in the malls. no idea what is in that stuff but it lasts forever on a audio cable and makes it very easy to spot the protected cables versus the unprotected ones.

I have been told also that the polish designed to be used on cheap nail extensions works very well but have not tested personally.

Many brightly colored polishes however do *not* pass the meter test above, assumption is that they contain metal in the pigment.

Many polishes with sparkles failed the test as well.

The exception to this is the laser cut hologram sparkly stuff you see in sally beauty and the mall shops. (given the amount of work my niece goes through to remove the stuff when she is tired of sparkly not

surprising).

[deletia of yahoo carp]

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Kaligus.

Everyone hates the rat!

1820. Re: Cable in mic instead of line in

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-31 01:35:14 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1817 Message: 1820

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a line output socket) Nevertheless what all "nailpolish"resolution
you are all talking about?

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1821. 1st time user questions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-31 13:46:51 UTC
From: chuckmf1135
Topic: 1821 Message: 1821

Hello, I just signed up yesterday, I picked up a Kato de 1103 @ the Shelby amateur radio hamfest & have a few questions, I checked the specs on 1103 & it said they went to 29,999mhz.
This one came w/all the papers & said it was purchased new in May 2005 and the booklet list coverage to 26,100mhz but the radio only shows 21.9 mhz on the top end of the last band (marked 13m).
Second I was hoping to pickup the 10.1 - 10.125 mhz/30 meter band but the radios band ends @ 9.9mhz & skips to 12.4Mhz for the next one.
I guess this is a earlier version that has limited range? The owner wasent their at the time & for $45 like new in box I wasent going to wait, there were others looking at the Kaito 1103 too.

1822. Re: [de1103] 1st time user questions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-31 15:29:32 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1821 Message: 1822

----- Original Message -----
From: "chuckmf1135" <nbc@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 31, 2008 2:46 PM
Subject: [de1103] 1st time user questions

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> wait, there were others looking at the Kaito 1103 too.

Try entering the frequencies via the keypad (enter freqquency in kHz and
press the BAND+ key). You will then be then ba able to tune up and down
around the frequency. You can put them in the memory for rapid access.

Leon
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Leon Heller
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1823. Re: [de1103] Re: Cable in mic instead of line in

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-08-31 15:50:40 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1817 Message: 1823

At 22:35 30/08/2008, you wrote:

>I am very confused the DE1103 does not have any mic input. (only has
>a line output socket) Nevertheless what all "nailpolish"resolution
>you are all talking about?

You are not the only one confused, I was wondering about the same thing... :-)

73,

Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

1824. Re: Cable in mic instead of line in

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-01 11:09:31 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1817 Message: 1824

mic / line in on the computer..thats what they are talking about..i think.

Reg.: jan

1825. Re: 1st time user questions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-01 18:27:41 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1821 Message: 1825

...$45....??? I paid 120 euro for this high quality "soap box"..
Lucky guy...
Be side jokingly follow what Leon wrote.
B.t.w the 1103 is my holiday receiver.
Reg.:jan

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1826. Re: 1st time user questions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-01 19:49:58 UTC
From: Greg Shoom
Topic: 1821 Message: 1826

The Kaito/DE 1103 tuning is a bit weird. It actually does tune the frequencies you want, but they're not shown on the bands on the front panel.

The 1103 divides the tuning range into a number of bands. These correspond to the broadcast bands, but are wider. When you're inside one of these bands, moving up or down using the tuning knob moves you through the band you're in, but not past its limits. However, the bands ranges they've chosed do not cover the entire shortwave spectrum. There are sections of shortwave that are not in any of their bands. But the radio can actually receive these. You just have to type in the frequency directly. And once you're on a frequency that isn't in any band, the up and down tuning knob works the way you'd expect it to, at least until you tune into one of their predefined bands again.

It's a bit counterintuitive but you get used to it after a while.

The 1103 also has longwave coverage, down to 100 kHz, which is something you wouldn't guess from looking at the front panel. And it's actually a pretty sensitive longwave receiver.

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$ Greg Shoom - shoom@...
$ Toronto, Ontario, Canada
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1827. Re: Cable in mic instead of line in

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-02 00:59:43 UTC
From: jamesmhz
Topic: 1817 Message: 1827

hahaha this makes me laugh, guys talking about nail polish...

Thanks though for the types of nail polish mate, I'll ummm... be sure to send my lady to get some for me *cough* I mean my radio...

For those completely lost, yes guys, we talking about making sure voltage doesnt go back into the radio's earphone socket from the mic input on your laptop because it can damage the radio. I saw some weeks/months back someone mentioning nail polish worked if you put some over the black areas.

Another idea though, I saw the inside of one of my earphone cables and it has three connections inside, if I disconnection a cable from the area that is meant for voltage, wouldn't that be another way?

If any has alternative ideas, always welcome too.

Thanks all! Gracias :)
Brad

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "legonedijk" <legonedijk@...> wrote:
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> think.
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> Reg.: jan
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1828. Re: [de1103] Re: Cable in mic instead of line in

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-02 03:48:40 UTC
From: Kaligus Campbell
Topic: 1817 Message: 1828

When using the radio on a pc connected to the mic input of the pc there is a voltage present on the ring of the stereo connector.

This voltage causes grief with many items not just the de1103.

The instructions I have previously posted allow you to use the more sensitive mic input of your pc without the weirdness or possible damage from that voltage.

The voltage is intended to power special microphones (most pc microphones) which often have some noise reduction and amplification circuitry included.

knyuen88 wrote:
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1829. Re: [de1103] Re: Cable in mic instead of line in

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-02 04:46:41 UTC
From: Kaligus Campbell
Topic: 1817 Message: 1829

Yes you can also cut the wire to the ring of the plug on either end.

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part line mic
==== ==== ====
tip signal L mic audio
ring signal R mic voltage
shield ground
molded bits hold here
wire delivers signal to the other end of the wire

() tip
[] black bit
() ring {{disconnect here how ever you choose}}
[] black bit
||
|| shield
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| |
| | molded bits
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| |
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~~ wire
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Just make sure you carefully identify which wire to cut otherwise the cable becomes useful only for passing power to a mic it cant hear anymore or half of a stereo audio signal.

It is not the black areas that get covered, it is the little ring of metal between the two black spots on a stereo cable.

If you have a mono cable you MAY hurt your sound card, though probably not the radio as it moves the voltage problem from the radio not knowing how to deal with +5v on what it wants to think is Right-audio to the sound card not knowing how to deal with +5v on the ground/shield.

http://www.hobby-hour.com/electronics/computer_microphone.php has some more info, including circuits for using this feature to oddly enough power a mic.

I purchase nail polish for several uses, it is much less expensive and often more useful for locking nuts, blots, screws, etc. than locktite. Bonus the un-locker is also less expensive and often more useful.

It is useful for coating many things to protect them (example, I used to purchase screen protectors for my palm-pilot until a girl geek showed me how she took care of hers with thinned clear polish over the writing area only... lasts longer and does a better job, doesnt get bunched up and it still works when it is close to time for the next application).

Making some things shiny by first coating them then using a leather buffer to get a polish.

keeping water out of many things.

marking some things as they come apart so they go back together correctly.

Keeping the wife happy! (the things we do for "she who must be obeyed" with apologies to Rumpole).

etc :)

For the record a guy buying nail polish... more often than not makes any straight and/or available female happening to be at the checkout who thinks the guy is straight and or available all squishy-kneed as they wish they could talk their guys into doing that...

Bonus if you happen to be single-ish "ohhh sweet that you would do that for your girl!" or she likes weird guys "ohhhh, you paint your nails!".

I can however not vouch for the color differences in the checkout line.

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> some over the black areas.

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1830. Re: 1st time user questions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-02 13:54:49 UTC
From: chuckmf1135
Topic: 1821 Message: 1830

Thanks for all the information, ther is allways improtant things they never include in the manual. It would be nice to have a file labled tips and hints for things not covered in the manual. Anyway I can now navigate through the litte super radio with easy thanks to everyone.
Chuck/N4aeq

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Greg Shoom <shoomg@...> wrote:
>
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1831. Re: [de1103] Re: Cable in mic instead of line in

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-02 14:00:07 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1817 Message: 1831

At 00:48 02/09/2008, you wrote:

>When using the radio on a pc connected to the mic input of the pc there
>is a voltage present on the ring of the stereo connector.
>
>This voltage causes grief with many items not just the de1103.

OK, it is clear now. Then a capacitor of appropriate value (just by
trial and error) could be added in series with the "live" wire to
block the DC component.

Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

1832. Is This Ad Honest?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-04 09:08:12 UTC
From: k9kz
Topic: 1832 Message: 1832

http://www.weemscreeksolutions.com/KaitoKA1103.htm?gclid=CLeZirjjwZUCFQvOIgod-16zPw

"This unit has been evaluated against the Sony 7600, the Grundig Yacht Boy 400 and the Radio Shack DX-440 -- and the Kaito KA1103 came out on top against these more expensive brands!"

1833. Re: Is This Ad Honest?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-04 09:10:27 UTC
From: k9kz
Topic: 1832 Message: 1833

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "k9kz" <bill.k9kz@...> wrote:
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http://www.weemscreeksolutions.com/KaitoKA1103.htm?gclid=CLeZirjjwZUCFQvOIgod-16zPw
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> top against these more expensive brands!"
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Guess I should say, I ordered my Kaito 1103 yesterday, so I already
believe the 1103 is a BEST BUY!

Bill

1834. Re: [de1103] Is This Ad Honest?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-04 11:57:28 UTC
From: Kaligus Campbell
Topic: 1832 Message: 1834

k9kz wrote:
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> Boy 400 and the Radio Shack DX-440 -- and the Kaito KA1103 came out on
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FWIW I have two 1103s and have been happy with them both to the
exclusion of all other HF rigs I own or have owned. The only other rig
I use on the HF freqs is my Icom R2 and then only because the searching
functions are much better on the R2 (define bands, programmed skip,
etc.) The radios all pick up the same signals equally well as long as
it matches the R2s 5khz spacing.

Caveat is that the 1103s are also very good at picking up the neighbors
noisemaker (unidentified neighbor or noisemaker) which randomly block
large chunks of spectrum :(

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1835. Re: Is This Ad Honest?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-04 12:28:47 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 1832 Message: 1835

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "k9kz" <bill.k9kz@...> wrote:
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>
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I've compared mine with an ex-Royal Navy Redifon R551N communications receiver, and the sensitivity of the DE1103 on the whip antenna was about the same as the R551N with a long wire and ATU. Given that the R551N cost over 100x as much as the DE1103, originally, the DE1103 is pretty good.

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1836. Re: Is This Ad Honest?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-04 15:06:52 UTC
From: Lou
Topic: 1832 Message: 1836

I am on my 2nd KA 1103 I let the first on go on a swap I purchased a Sony 7600GR and sold it after one week. Got another KA1103 and it beats the Sony hands down! all I can say is " wow" I pick up stations I could not even hear on my Icom706 mark11G and other radios I have. You can't go wrong with this one!!!! K3DXR Lou
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1837. Re: [de1103] Re: Is This Ad Honest?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-04 17:34:51 UTC
From: Bill Planck
Topic: 1832 Message: 1837
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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1838. Re: Is This Ad Honest?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-04 19:12:24 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1832 Message: 1838

And so do my Collins 390A, ARR15, ...

> > "This unit has been evaluated against the Sony 7600, the Grundig
Yacht
> > Boy 400 and the Radio Shack DX-440 -- and the Kaito KA1103 came
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1839. Re: Is This Ad Honest?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-05 06:57:06 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1832 Message: 1839

I bought a Sony ICF-SW7600GR about a year and a half ago. It has been a major disappointment. The synchronous detection is OK but not as good as in my Sony ICF-2010 and the audio quality leaves a lot to be desired. My 7600GR (and many others) has a problem with the fine tuning for SSB. There is an instability problem that makes it hard to tune in SSB signals properly. I started seeing many great reviews for the Degen DE1103/ Kaito KA1103 so I decided to try one. It's so good that I rarely use the Sony 7600GR any more. The KA1103 cost me half of what the Sony did and the SSB is excellent. The Sony isn't a bad radio and synchronous detection is a great feature at that price.

The 1103 has some weird ergonomics but it didn't take me very long to get used to them.

Here are what other owners have to say about the DE1103/KA1103:

http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/4288

http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/5071

Both the Radio Shack DX-440 and Yacht Boy 400 have great reputations but I've never used either one.

I'd say go for the KA1103. $79.99 is a pretty good price.

Let us know how you like it.

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1840. Kiwa Mods?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-05 08:45:56 UTC
From: k9kz
Topic: 24 Message: 1840

Yes? No? Worth the cost? I should get my KA1103 today.

Bill

1841. Re: Is This Ad Honest?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-05 14:47:58 UTC
From: Greg Shoom
Topic: 1832 Message: 1841

I don't know how the Kaito 1103 stacks up against those other radios you listed. What I do know is that my Kaito 1103 performs so well that it has become the radio I take with me whenever I travel somewhere and want to do some DXing.

This summer, when I was travelling in the Bruce Peninsula and Manitoulin Island areas of Ontario, Canada, I used it to log lots and lots of very faint longwave beacons. I used it to listen to mediumwave stations from distant cities in the evening when I was camping. And I also had my first ever meteor-scatter reception on FM with it.

Last summer I took it to Newfoundland, where I used it to catch numerous trans-atlantic mediumwave stations, using nothing more than the antenna built in the radio. A couple of them, like Virgin Radio on 1215 kHz from London, were coming in strongly enough that I could follow the programming. I also used it on that trip to log two European longwave broadcasters, the first time in my life that I've ever heard any of those.

So regardless of how it actually compares to those other radios, it is a great radio to own, and at the price it's a real bargain.

The only one of those other radios you listed that I've owned and used is the Grundig YB-400. That used to be my main travel radio, and I think it is also a fine receiver. Unfortunately, the plastic connector that held the telescopic antenna in place has broken, so now my YB-400 is to fragile to travel with, although it still works fine.

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$ Greg Shoom - shoom@...
$ Toronto, Ontario, Canada
$

1842. My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-05 20:49:59 UTC
From: k9kz
Topic: 1842 Message: 1842

Received my radio today from Radios4you.com. It seems to work fine, but there are some nasty scuff marks on the display. Could it be a refurb or return? I don't like cosmetic problems on my equipment. I'll let you know what Radios4you says.

Bill

1843. Re: [de1103] My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-05 20:53:15 UTC
From: Claudio Leite
Topic: 1842 Message: 1843

* k9kz (bill.k9kz@...) wrote:
> Received my radio today from Radios4you.com. It seems to work fine,
> but there are some nasty scuff marks on the display. Could it be a
> refurb or return? I don't like cosmetic problems on my equipment. I'll
> let you know what Radios4you says.
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I had the same problem. I ordered mine through Amazon (US), which said it was sold directly from Kaito Electronics. I returned it complaining it looked used/refurbished and after a long delay got my money back.

The replacement I got from eBay came directly from China (Degen-branded) and looks perfect.

-Claudio

1844. Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-06 01:45:56 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1842 Message: 1844

If it's a refurb or return they should have told you so in advance. I bought mine from them and it was absolutely brand new.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "k9kz" <bill.k9kz@...> wrote:
>
> Received my radio today from Radios4you.com. It seems to work fine,
> but there are some nasty scuff marks on the display. Could it be a
> refurb or return? I don't like cosmetic problems on my equipment. I'll
> let you know what Radios4you says.
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> Bill

1845. Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-06 07:59:40 UTC
From: timathis
Topic: 1842 Message: 1845

Got my new 1103 from ebay 49.99 plus $24 insurance and registered
mail. Seems to be a good value so far.

Tim

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Claudio Leite <de1103@...> wrote:
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> * k9kz (bill.k9kz@...) wrote:
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> > but there are some nasty scuff marks on the display. Could it be a
> > refurb or return? I don't like cosmetic problems on my equipment. I'll
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> looked used/refurbished and after a long delay got my money back.
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> and looks perfect.
>
> -Claudio
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1846. Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-06 13:06:07 UTC
From: Bill Planck
Topic: 1842 Message: 1846
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1847. Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-06 13:50:14 UTC
From: Eric
Topic: 1842 Message: 1847

Bought mine from an eBay seller, tquchina, for $49.90 plus shipping. As I would have had to import one from either the USA or HK, I opted for the Degen de 1103 from HK as it was half the price of the Kaito and included a 220v power pack, which is suitable for our local voltage. It appears many people have had hassles with the Kaito 110v power pack, but the 220v ones seem to be fine. I did install better batteries, however.

The well-packaged radio took just over a week to arrive.

-Eric
That Guy in South Africa...
****
Vintage Tube Hobby Group:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vintage_tube/

****

Bill Planck wrote:
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> On Sat, Sep 6, 2008 at 3:59 AM, timathis <timathis@...
> <mailto:timathis@...>> wrote:
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> Got my new 1103 from ebay 49.99 plus $24 insurance and registered
> mail. Seems to be a good value so far.
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> Tim
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> Hi Tim,
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> Mind telling us who you got it from? Might be helpful to some. I
> didn't want to order from China. If you have to pay to return it for
> any reason you might as well trash it.
>
> Bill
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1848. Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-06 23:26:58 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1842 Message: 1848

I've been hearing here and there, that recommended sellers from China were/are Lypn and TQChina...

Horacio Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

--- El sáb, 6/9/08, Bill Planck <bill.k9kz@...> escribió:

De: Bill Planck <bill.k9kz@...>
Asunto: Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: sábado, 6 septiembre, 2008 11:06

On Sat, Sep 6, 2008 at 3:59 AM, timathis <timathis@yahoo. com> wrote:

Got my new 1103 from ebay 49.99 plus $24 insurance and registered
mail. Seems to be a good value so far.

Tim

Hi Tim,

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Bill

1849. Re: Cable in mic instead of line in

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-07 03:17:23 UTC
From: jamesmhz
Topic: 1817 Message: 1849

Thanks guys, this all helps a lot!

That "diagram" of the cable jack was perfect, been hunting for an explanation like that but couldn't find it on google.
Also interesting with the capacitor.

Great stuff guys, thanks!

PS I just got my DE1103 now from China and I'm amazed how small it is, loving this little thing. Built quite sturdy too... China...well done.

PSS also enjoyed the nail polish and checkout girl encounter, sounds like a plan ;)

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moisés Knochen <moises.knochen@...> wrote:
>
> At 00:48 02/09/2008, you wrote:
>
> >When using the radio on a pc connected to the mic input of the pc there
> >is a voltage present on the ring of the stereo connector.
> >
> >This voltage causes grief with many items not just the de1103.
>
> OK, it is clear now. Then a capacitor of appropriate value (just by
> trial and error) could be added in series with the "live" wire to
> block the DC component.
>
> Moises Knochen
> Montevideo, Uruguay
>

1850. Re: [de1103] My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-07 07:49:29 UTC
From: Kaligus Campbell
Topic: 1842 Message: 1850

k9kz wrote:
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> but there are some nasty scuff marks on the display. Could it be a
> refurb or return? I don't like cosmetic problems on my equipment. I'll
> let you know what Radios4you says.
>

#1 is degen picked up by a friend in china (with english everything
except manual) and was perfect until I opened it LOL.

#2 is also degen and ebay from china, also perfect (and still is)

I have heard several others complain of the same thing. I wonder if
there a manufacturing or distribution process problem.

I say this because the one picked up in china had no plastic protectors
on the screen while the ebay one did.

The one picked up in china was perfectly sealed while the ebay radio was
kind of dumped in the bag and stuffed in the box. It was sealed and
taped just looked a little rushed maybe.

> Bill

also bill :)

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Everyone hates the rat!

Everyone else hates the cata's

1851. Re: [de1103] My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-07 08:23:29 UTC
From: Bill Planck
Topic: 1842 Message: 1851
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1852. Re: [de1103] My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-08 03:59:42 UTC
From: Bill Planck
Topic: 1842 Message: 1852
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1853. Re: [de1103] My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-08 08:15:58 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1842 Message: 1853

----- Original Message -----
From: Bill Planck
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 4:59 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] My New KA1103 : (

There was no plastic covering on the display of my new KA1103. Does that mean it's a return or refurb? I sure don't like the scuff marks on the display!

It sounds like it. Have you contacted Kaito?

You could polish the marks out, of course. Toothpaste works very well.

Leon
--
Leon Heller
Amateur radio call-sign G1HSM
Yaesu FT-817ND transceiver
Suzuki SV1000S motorcycle
leon355@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller

1854. Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-08 04:42:28 UTC
From: Tim Mathis
Topic: 1842 Message: 1854

The seller was tquchina. 100 % good feedback rating. On ebay since about 2003. Sent me two correspondences and thanked me for the order. He offered me insurance for about $6 US. I researched the insurance company and was not impressed. Took about 18 days from china to my little town in the mountains near san diego, california. I did get a little nerv ous about the delivery time. If it does fail I have the schematic and 32 years of teaching electronics and I guess I could send it back for less than original $24 because it would not have a very high value not working.

73's k9kz de wv6uot (way back in 1963)
--- On Sat, 9/6/08, Bill Planck <bill.k9kz@...> wrote:
From: Bill Planck <bill.k9kz@...>
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, September 6, 2008, 6:06 AM

On Sat, Sep 6, 2008 at 3:59 AM, timathis <timathis@yahoo. com> wrote:

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mail. Seems to be a good value so far.

Tim

Hi Tim,

Mind telling us who you got it from? Might be helpful to some. I didn't want to order from China. If you have to pay to return it for any reason you might as well trash it.

Bill

1855. Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-08 18:44:35 UTC
From: Bill Planck
Topic: 1842 Message: 1855
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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1856. Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-08 18:42:16 UTC
From: Bill Planck
Topic: 1842 Message: 1856
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1857. Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-09 04:58:04 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1842 Message: 1857

That is so wrong on their part. I think they want to avoid having to sell it to someone else as refurbished. I'm very surprised. I bought mine from them; it got here fast and was brand new. I got mine over a year ago and I don't recall whether or not it had a plastic cover over the display. But it's a great radio!!

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Bill Planck" <bill.k9kz@...> wrote:
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> Well here's the deal. Radios4you has instructed me to send my BRAND NEW
> radio to Kaito rather than just replacing it. This is the first time
I have
> ever had to send a new radio to the manufacturer. I am not happy!
Next time
> I will shop elsewhere.
>
> Bill

1858. Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-09 06:11:43 UTC
From: Tim Mathis
Topic: 1842 Message: 1858

Sounds pretty shortsited business wise. The radio cost them less than $40 probably. They could recoup that even selling it refurbished. My seller insured mine for only $23 when he shipped it so i am guessing that is in the ball park of what it cost them. I am pretty sure it is illegal to sell a refurbished as new without notifying customer. I got a tape back up unit once from a major dealer that had been re shrinkwrapped and sold as new. Inside the user manual I found a hand written note from a former buyer concerning contacting customer service which would indicate that it was at least a returned unit. I know I will avoid that retailer (radios4u) in the future.

Tim

--- On Mon, 9/8/08, Dennis Gibson <wb6tnb@...> wrote:
From: Dennis Gibson <wb6tnb@...>
Subject: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, September 8, 2008, 9:58 PM

That is so wrong on their part. I think they want to avoid having to

sell it to someone else as refurbished. I'm very surprised. I bought

mine from them; it got here fast and was brand new. I got mine over a

year ago and I don't recall whether or not it had a plastic cover over

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Next time

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> Bill

1859. Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-09 10:18:26 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 1842 Message: 1859

Kaito will replace it. They are not a manufacturer nor a repair facility...they are an importer/seller.

Jay

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1860. Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-09 11:46:35 UTC
From: Bill Planck
Topic: 1842 Message: 1860
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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1861. Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-09 12:45:31 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1842 Message: 1861

----- Original Message -----
From: Bill Planck
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, September 09, 2008 12:46 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

On Tue, Sep 9, 2008 at 6:18 AM, jallenhartford2000 <jaypolicow@...>
wrote:

Kaito will replace it. They are not a manufacturer nor a repair
facility...they are an importer/seller.

Jay

I guess Degen is the manufacturer?

Yes, it's a rebadged DE1103.

Leon

1862. Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-09 14:31:02 UTC
From: Lou
Topic: 1842 Message: 1862

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Tim Mathis <timathis@...> wrote:
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> Sounds pretty shortsited business wise. The radio cost them less
than $40 probably. They could recoup that even selling it
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so i am guessing that is in the ball park of what it cost them. I am
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was at least a returned unit. I know I will avoid that retailer
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> Subject: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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> Next time
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> > I will shop elsewhere.
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> > Bill
> Hello, I purchased mine from Amazon and it was shipped from Kaito
in Sparks Nevada, for $ 6.85 and got to Baltimore MD in 3 days it was
brand new plastic on the window and works %100. This is my second
1103 and I love it. Fantastic radio!!!! K3DXR LOU

1863. Re: Newer versions of DE1103 vs. the Eton E5

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-09 21:05:37 UTC
From: 3CX100A5
Topic: 1797 Message: 1863

Hi Folks,

My two DE1103's are about 1 year old now. They have far superior FM sensitivity and selectivity than my 6 month old Eton E5!

However the E5 has better SW sensitivity than the DE1103's.

Both DE1103's have very similar performance. I use them for FM reception and the E5 for SW. The SW difference is much less than the FM difference, so overall the DE1103's are best from a performance point of view. The user interface of the E5 is far superior to the DE1103, if that is important to you and FM of little or no interest.

Best wishes, John.

1864. Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-09 22:50:36 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 1842 Message: 1864

Bill, I bought the Grundig G5 version, but returned the first because I was unsatisfied with the number of AM broadcast images on LW. The second one is slightly newer and actually seems better in that regard. All of these radios are manufactured by Degen, AFAIK.

In any case, the first unit clearly had protective film on the display, because it was slightly curled in one corner. When I got the replacement unit yesterday I though I also had some light scuffing on the display, until I realized that the protective film is actually present, but it's so perfectly applied you can't tell without magnification. The film is soft and scuffs easily, and you can dent it with your fingernail, which you can't do with the acrylic window. It really fooled me. Your display window is much larger, but maybe the protective film is actually still there.

I could peel it off if I wanted to, but I think I'll leave it there for the protection, since it's hardly noticeable.

Nelson

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Bill Planck" <bill.k9kz@...> wrote:
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> Bill
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1865. Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-09 23:38:54 UTC
From: Bill Planck
Topic: 1842 Message: 1865
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1866. Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-10 10:35:05 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 1842 Message: 1866

Yes. Degen makes the Degen DE-1103 which is rabadged (by Degen for Kaito) as the Kaito KA-1103. Degen also manufactures the Eton E5 and identical Grundig G5 for Eton/Grundig...Eton merely imports and sells them.

The Chinese manufactures (Degen, Tecsun and Redsun) all do this. In addition to making the rebadged versions they may make small changes for the importer. For exmaple, The Redsun RP-2100 is the same as the C.C. Radio SW (Crane's claims that their version is somehow improved notwithstanding) , but Redsun makes a few changes for C. Crane, primarily the AC Power supply. Same with Kaito...the KA-1103 is sold only in the US with a 120 volt AC wall wart, while the Degen DE-1103 usually comes with a 220 volt vallw art (although to ocnfuse things some Chinese OEM models are also avaialble with 120 or 240volts).

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1867. Re: Newer versions of DE1103 vs. the Eton E5

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-10 10:37:51 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 1797 Message: 1867

John,

I think you are seeing unit to unit differences here...my E5 is at least as good as my DE-1103's on all bands...and they should be really be identical except for any periodic updates as the RF/IF circuits are the same...only the user interface is different.

Jay

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> sensitivity and selectivity than my 6 month old Eton E5!
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> DE1103, if that is important to you and FM of little or no interest.
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> Best wishes, John.
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1868. DAB+ in Australia

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-10 10:55:24 UTC
From: ian.campbell99
Topic: 1868 Message: 1868

A bit off topic but there has been an announcement on the rollout of
digital radio in Australia.
http://www.digitalradioaustralia.com.au/index.cfm?page_id=1001&display_news_id_1129=1015
They are using DAB+.
I can't see it being successful unless it is considerably better than
analogue and has receivers at a competitive price to analogue receivers.

1869. Re: [de1103] DAB+ in Australia

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-10 12:45:51 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1868 Message: 1869

----- Original Message -----
From: "ian.campbell99" <ian.campbell99@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 10, 2008 11:55 AM
Subject: [de1103] DAB+ in Australia

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> analogue and has receivers at a competitive price to analogue receivers.

I've got a (UK) DAB radio - BT Aviator for about ?120 four or so years ago. I like it in some respects, but the audio quality isn't very good as there are too many stations on the one frequency and the bandwidth has to be restricted. DAB+ is probably better. The radio software has some bugs - it loses the signal and I have to switch it on and off several times to get it working again. I got a replacement and that was the same (plus a faulty PS and sticking switch), so I kept them both. The supplier didn't chase me up about returning the original one. I bought that model primarily because it uses an ADI Blackfin DSP, which is a chip that I've used.

A cheap DAB radio isn't much more expensive than an analogue one, now.

Leon

1870. Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-10 19:36:05 UTC
From: Tim Mathis
Topic: 1842 Message: 1870

My new 1103 is a Degen. It came from ebay (china tquchina). Has english control lables. It came with a 120 volt plug-in. Very good receiver for the money.

Three suggestions to whoever builds it.

1. The frequency display lcd reminds me of an old radio with a tuning dial cord that slips.
Save the money on this useless "feature" and give me a separate volume control.

2. I really dislike having my ears bloiwn up when I shift bands and can't switch to volume mode fast enough. If I have it on speaker my wife jumps everytime the volume blast out when I change bands.

3. Do not turn off the ssb clarifier when activating the up down band switch changes.The radio is so small that I am constantly juggling it from hand to hand to change bands, change the volume, and reset the ssb clarifier, and punch the tiny, too close together numerical buttons.

Tim

  --- On Wed, 9/10/08, jallenhartford2000 <jaypolicow@...> wrote:

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Subject: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Wednesday, September 10, 2008, 3:35 AM

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The Chinese manufactures (Degen, Tecsun and Redsun) all do this. In addition to making the rebadged versions they may make small changes for the importer. For exmaple, The Redsun RP-2100 is the same as the C.C. Radio SW (Crane's claims that their version is somehow improved notwithstanding) , but Redsun makes a few changes for C. Crane, primarily the AC Power supply. Same with Kaito...the KA-1103 is sold only in the US with a 120 volt AC wall wart, while the Degen DE-1103 usually comes with a 220 volt vallw art (although to ocnfuse things some Chinese OEM models are also avaialble with 120 or 240volts).

Jay

--- In de1103@yahoogroups. com, "Bill Planck" <bill.k9kz@. ..> wrote:
>
> On Tue, Sep 9, 2008 at 6:18 AM, jallenhartford2000
<jaypolicow@ ...>wrote:

>
> > Kaito will replace it. They are not a manufacturer nor a repair
> > facility...they are an importer/seller.
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> > Jay
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> I guess Degen is the manufacturer?
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> Bill
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1871. Techsun PL600 versus KA1103?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-10 19:54:41 UTC
From: oceansblue_biz
Topic: 1871 Message: 1871

Any comments about the 2 radios in comparison to each other?
I believe both are made at the Tecsun factory.

1872. Re: Techsun PL600 versus KA1103?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-10 22:05:14 UTC
From: ok_3022
Topic: 1871 Message: 1872

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "oceansblue_biz" <rlundahl@...> wrote:
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(Inside is only one FM filter !)
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PL-600 : 6 points
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Awaiting your experience independently of
promotion reviews.

Have a nice day!
Mr. O.K.

1873. Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-11 15:20:24 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1842 Message: 1873

To get the same radio without the LCD display and with a separate volume control you'd have to spend twice as much and get an Eton E5/Grundig G5.

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> Tim

1874. Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-11 16:09:17 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1842 Message: 1874

The fastest control over volume control is the key combination via numbers and volume keys, i.e.: I am listening at volume 23, and I want to change to volume 11, I press: 1+1+vol.

Horacio Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

--- El jue, 11/9/08, Dennis Gibson <wb6tnb@...> escribió:

De: Dennis Gibson <wb6tnb@...>
Asunto: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: jueves, 11 septiembre, 2008 1:20

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> Tim

1875. Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-11 18:30:26 UTC
From: Tim Mathis
Topic: 1842 Message: 1875

The numerical readout is fine but they could use a simpler lcd numerical readout and ditch the phony analog line indicator.
I don't think that adding one potentiometer would cost very much more than adding the two antenna protection diodes. I don't see how it could double the price.
A simple fact of life, the background noise levels varies greatly from low end to high end of the receivable spectrum .

Tim

--- On Thu, 9/11/08, Dennis Gibson <wb6tnb@...> wrote:

From: Dennis Gibson <wb6tnb@...>
Subject: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (
To: de1103@...m
Date: Thursday, September 11, 2008, 8:20 AM

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1876. Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-11 20:24:40 UTC
From: Bill Planck
Topic: 1842 Message: 1876
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1877. Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-11 21:15:11 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1842 Message: 1877

----- Original Message -----
From: Bill Planck
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, September 11, 2008 9:24 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

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It's unlikely to get better. Early DE1103s suffered from a similar fault, the encoders had to be replaced.

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1878. Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-11 21:59:40 UTC
From: Bill Planck
Topic: 1842 Message: 1878
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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1879. Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-11 22:07:06 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1842 Message: 1879

Last time I had my receiver open (a qualified technician who works on car electronics service), he used the compressed air blower he has in his shack. I had some faulty tuning, and this dissapeared. It would be not harmful to try to get some improvement by cleaning the encoder area following this procedure.

Horacio Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

--- El jue, 11/9/08, Leon <leon355@...> escribió:

De: Leon <leon355@...>
Asunto: Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: jueves, 11 septiembre, 2008 7:15

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1880. Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-12 02:18:11 UTC
From: Thad Larson
Topic: 1842 Message: 1880

Before I diagnosed and replaced my encoder on my older DE1103, I noticed that it would skip consistantly when the jog dial was at a certain position. Upon further inspection, I noticed that one of the "fan blades" (see Jog Dial Internals) was damaged and the wiper would skip when it passed over the damaged area. The wiper would loose contact and the frequency (or volume) would reverse direction by one increment.

If you notice that your jog dial skips spuratically (not in the same place), then there may be loose material that can be cleaned (or blown) out. If you open it up and wipe off the grease, be sure to replace it with grease (or ProGold) to prevent further oxidation.

Regards,
Thad

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1881. Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-12 09:36:21 UTC
From: Bill Planck
Topic: 1842 Message: 1881
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1882. Re: Techsun PL600 versus KA1103?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-12 11:29:47 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 1871 Message: 1882

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1883. Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-12 12:10:32 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1842 Message: 1883

----- Original Message -----
From: Bill Planck
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, September 12, 2008 10:36 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: My New KA1103 : (

Since my KA1103 is brand new I don't feel that I should have to open it for any reason.
Just me?

Just return it for replacement. It;'s obviously faulty.

--
Leon

Leon Heller
Amateur radio call-sign G1HSM
Yaesu FT-817ND transceiver
Suzuki SV1000S motorcycle
leon355@btinternet.com
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1884. Re: Techsun PL600 versus KA1103?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-13 02:04:10 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1871 Message: 1884

I've never used an E5/G5 but the circuitry and performance are supposedly virtually identical. I've read of jog dial problems but they mostly seem to be with the DE1103 and not the KA1103. I've had my KA1103 a little over a year and it hasn't hiccuped once. A KA1103 goes for about $80.00 and an E5/G5 goes for $150.00. I'll gladly put up with the 1103's weird ergonomics.

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> as I thought it would be an upgrade to the PL-550.
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> Jay

1885. Re: Techsun PL600 versus KA1103?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-13 04:34:17 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1871 Message: 1885

Jay - I didn't know it was possible to own too many radios! I have about 20 and I thought that was a lot. Every time I tell myself I've bought my last radio something interesting comes along. A little earlier this year I gave away a Realistic 12-655 TRF (I had two); all of the great things you've heard about it are true. I also have their other TRF (the 12-656A); it is as sensitive but not as selective. I park them on graveyard frequencies.

My newest acquisitions are a Sangean DT-400W (AM/FM only; it just came out) and an Eton E100. I recommend the Sangean for its excellent sensitivity across the entire AM band but to get it to sell for $55.00 they skimped a bit on the selectivity. It has a speaker and weather alert. The E100 is a dinky E10 (it literally fits in your hand) but it doesn't have an external antenna input. Stock E100's are hearing Trans Pacific DX from the Pacific Northwest.

The Kaito KA1103 is an outrageous value. Its the perfect radio for someone just getting started in AM DX'ing or SW. I only have one gripe; the grill is a little delicate. I'm really careful with my radios but somehow it has two dents. I decided it was worth some extra $$ to get the US version with the 120 volt AC adapter and US warranty. If you're not in China and your DE1103 breaks you may as well toss it because the cost of shipping it to China and back will equal what you paid for it.

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1886. Wall-wart cord for 1103 - suddenly flaky?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-17 18:05:34 UTC
From: wgmartin999
Topic: 1886 Message: 1886

Hi, all!

Been happy with my Kaito KA1103 for some time now. Have been using it plugged into the provided 120-volt wall-wart most of the time, and I suddenly noticed some sort of intermittent power interruption the last couple days. It's hard to tell that the external power is out on this, since the radio automatically uses battery power even if the external-power plug is in the radio's jack but is not actually providing power. The only way you can tell is to have the dial light on and see if it goes out after some seconds of no-control-activation. If it stays on, the radio is getting external power -- if it goes out, the radio is running on batteries.

I think I narrowed it down to an intermittent wire break inside the cable in the very end of the cable from the wall-wart at the point where it moves into the strain relief's L-shaped connection into the power plug at the radio end. But it is very hard to tell, because there's no immediate feedback on whether power is getting through or not. I have to use some other device that works on the same plug size, polarity, and voltage while I wiggle the wire to track down the precise point of failure, or rig up some connections to a meter to watch the voltage and see if it fluctuates.

I was wondering if others with the Kaito and its US-voltage power adapter (this one is sort of a rounded rectangular block) have run into a similar failure. The cable, strain relief, and plug all look perfectly fine -- nothing shows signs of being stretched. I'd think that the strain relief itself was supposed to prevent this sort of thing from happening, so this is irritating.

I suppose that a failure at this point in the cable is actually the easiest thing to fix; just chop off the plug and solder the wires to a new plug of the correct size. But such fixes never look as good as the original-equipment configuration and I'm wondering if the quality of the OEM wall-wart is high enough to justify the effort of the fix -- maybe there's an RF-quieter replacement power supply that it would be worth buying instead?

So, anybody else run into the same thing?

73, Will

1887. Re: Wall-wart cord for 1103 - suddenly flaky?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-18 02:58:06 UTC
From: Lou
Topic: 1886 Message: 1887

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "wgmartin999" <wgmartin999@...> wrote:
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> So, anybody else run into the same thing?
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> 73, Will
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Hello Will, I am on my 2nd 1103 and I have not had any trouble as

you described. I must be a one time thing I hope! I realty enjoy the radio. Good luck. k3dxr Lou

1888. Re: [de1103] Wall-wart cord for 1103 - suddenly flaky?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-18 03:16:42 UTC
From: Kaligus Campbell
Topic: 1886 Message: 1888

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I have also not seen trouble with the 1 of 2 I use the included wall
wort with, the other is using a monster battery I built to power the
radio, a scanner, and an antique laptop myself so it doesnt count.

Both wall worts are similar in appearance so I assume the one kept in case of failure is as good as the one used regularly.

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> 73, Will
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Everyone hates the rat!

Everyone else hates the cata's

1889. Re:Wall-wart cord for 1103 - suddenly flaky?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-19 03:53:54 UTC
From: al salys
Topic: 1886 Message: 1889

really? this is what the discussion has become?

1890. Re: Newer versions of DE1103 vs. the Eton E5

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-19 20:54:56 UTC
From: 3CX100A5
Topic: 1797 Message: 1890

Hi Jay,

I'm quite sure that the FM Band filters in my E5 are much wider than those in my 1103's. It is the filter bandwidth difference which is making the 1103's more sensitive on FM. It also means I can tune much closer to strong stations on the 1103's, without getting interference, than I can with the E5.
All this is related to receiving signals which are only just audible. I did a check on a day when a Belgian station on 98.6MHz was just audible (fading in and out on the 1103's). With the E5 stood in the same spot the signal was just not there.
Tuning towards strong local stations, I can get 100kHz closer with the 1103's, before I hear anything, than I can with the E5.

I wonder if a wider/cheaper FM filter is being used now as the radio is essentially a World Band (ie Short Wave) radio, with FM thrown in for good measure (perhaps it was just accidental that FM performance was also good).

Whatever the reasons both my DE1103's (bought at about the same time but from two different suppliers) are much better weak signal Band II FM receivers than my E5.

With best wishes, John.

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> Jay
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "3CX100A5" <a3cx100a5@> wrote:
> >
> > Hi Folks,
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> > My two DE1103's are about 1 year old now. They have far superior FM
> > sensitivity and selectivity than my 6 month old Eton E5!
> >
> > However the E5 has better SW sensitivity than the DE1103's.
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> > Both DE1103's have very similar performance. I use them for FM
> > reception and the E5 for SW. The SW difference is much less than the
> > FM difference, so overall the DE1103's are best from a performance
> > point of view. The user interface of the E5 is far superior to the
> > DE1103, if that is important to you and FM of little or no interest.
> >
> > Best wishes, John.
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1891. New Lyipn store at eBay

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-20 19:42:30 UTC
From: huelbeag
Topic: 1891 Message: 1891

Hi,

Lyipn / V-COM-COLLECTIONS was one of the first sellers offering Degen DE1103 at eBay. Probably he sold thousands of this receiver and similars.

Today I received a message from him reporting the italian customs is blocking receivers without CE label. As a side-effect he received quite a lot of negative feedback from italian buyers even after refund. Because of this I think eBay "frozen" his store.

He's now operating a new store at this URL:
http://shop.ebay.com/merchant/li_ypn

Obviously, Liypn does not ship to Italy anymore.

Huelbe Garcia
Brazil

1892. Re: [de1103] New Lyipn store at eBay

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-20 21:12:21 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1891 Message: 1892

The other "big" DE1103 seller, "Radio and Component" (tquchina) is
still operating on ebay. However there is a list of European and
Asiatic countries where they do not ship because of Customs issues.

73,
Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

At 16:42 20/09/2008, you wrote:

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1893. Re: Newer versions of DE1103 vs. the Eton E5

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-21 05:53:44 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 1797 Message: 1893

I'll take your word for it that the 1103 is more selective on FM than the E5, but my E5 can pull out weak FM stations reliably that no other radio can, even in the crowded NYC market with strong competing stations nearby. I hardly listen to FM anyway, since I'm mainly interested in SW DX, so that wouldn't have been a deciding factor for me. The looks, ergonomics, and ability to purchase it locally with a warranty were what tipped the scale in it's favor. I really like being able to scroll through the whole frequency range with the tuning knob as well.

Nelson

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "3CX100A5" <a3cx100a5@...> wrote:
>
> Hi Jay,
>
> I'm quite sure that the FM Band filters in my E5 are much wider than
> those in my 1103's. It is the filter bandwidth difference which is
> making the 1103's more sensitive on FM. It also means I can tune much
> closer to strong stations on the 1103's, without getting interference,
> than I can with the E5.
> All this is related to receiving signals which are only just audible.
> I did a check on a day when a Belgian station on 98.6MHz was just
> audible (fading in and out on the 1103's). With the E5 stood in the
> same spot the signal was just not there.
> Tuning towards strong local stations, I can get 100kHz closer with the
> 1103's, before I hear anything, than I can with the E5.
>
> I wonder if a wider/cheaper FM filter is being used now as the radio
> is essentially a World Band (ie Short Wave) radio, with FM thrown in
> for good measure (perhaps it was just accidental that FM performance
> was also good).
>
> Whatever the reasons both my DE1103's (bought at about the same time
> but from two different suppliers) are much better weak signal Band II
> FM receivers than my E5.
>
> With best wishes, John.

1894. Re: Newer versions of DE1103 vs. the Eton E5

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-21 12:39:52 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 1797 Message: 1894

But the strange thing is I found just the opposite when I reviewed the E5 for radiointel and compared it with two DE1103's...the E5 was clearly separating many stations on FM the DE1103's were not. I suspect the DE1103's may have been upgraded since then and in any case they should perform the same as the E5/G5...I wonder if unit to unit differences are creeping in here.

Jay

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> FM receivers than my E5.
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> With best wishes, John.
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jallenhartford2000" <jaypolicow@>
> wrote:
> >
> > John,

> >
> > I think you are seeing unit to unit differences here...my E5 is
at
> > least as good as my DE-1103's on all bands...and they should be
really
> > be identical except for any periodic updates as the RF/IF
circuits are
> > the same...only the user interface is different.
> >
> > Jay
> >
> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "3CX100A5" <a3cx100a5@> wrote:
> > >
> > > Hi Folks,
> > >
> > > My two DE1103's are about 1 year old now. They have far
superior FM
> > > sensitivity and selectivity than my 6 month old Eton E5!
> > >
> > > However the E5 has better SW sensitivity than the DE1103's.
> > >
> > > Both DE1103's have very similar performance. I use them for FM
> > > reception and the E5 for SW. The SW difference is much less
than the
> > > FM difference, so overall the DE1103's are best from a
performance
> > > point of view. The user interface of the E5 is far superior to
the
> > > DE1103, if that is important to you and FM of little or no
interest.
> > >
> > > Best wishes, John.
> > >
> >
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1895. Tecsun 9700

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-21 17:02:10 UTC
From: Eric
Topic: 1895 Message: 1895

Anybody familiar with this one? It does not feature SSB, but I am more interested in a quality high-sensitivity FM tuner at this stage, I already have a Degen de1103 & Sony 7600GR.

http://www.radiointel.com/review-review-tecsunr9700dx.htm

--
-Eric
That Guy in South Africa...
****
Vintage Tube Hobby Group:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vintage_tube/

****

1896. Re: [de1103] Tecsun 9700DX

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-21 17:11:59 UTC
From: Eric
Topic: 1895 Message: 1896

Above subject heading should refer to the latter DX model, sorry.

-Eric
That Guy in South Africa...
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1897. MTM Loop (OT)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-21 17:57:28 UTC
From: Phil Pasteur
Topic: 1897 Message: 1897

Jay,
I was looking for your review for the MTM Loop antenna.
Is it out there yet?
I could not find it when looking this morning at Radiointel.

Phil

Re: Newer versions of DE1103 vs. the Eton E5
From: jallenhartford2000

1898. Re: Tecsun 9700DX

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-22 03:43:47 UTC
From: texnote
Topic: 1895 Message: 1898

Eric,

In a portable radio, I think the FM section of either the DE1103 or
Eton E5 is hard to beat.

In a tuner, look at the Sony XDR-F1HD. Review is at
http://www.ham-radio.com/k6sti/xdr-f1hd.htm

Paul

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> >
> > http://www.radiointel.com/review-review-tecsunr9700dx.htm
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1899. Hi !! Please help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-22 04:51:49 UTC
From: Amar Padekar
Topic: 1899 Message: 1899

Hi,
I am planning to purchase Degen DE1103.
Can anybody point out where do I get good deal for it.
What is the best price we can get it.
I want to send it to india from USA

Please advice.

Thanks

1900. Re: [de1103] Re: Tecsun 9700DX

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-22 15:38:56 UTC
From: Eric
Topic: 1895 Message: 1900

Hi Paul,

It's a long story...

I bought the Sony IC-7600GR to take along on holiday trips, then I decided it's too good a radio to take to the seaside and possibly rust. (EVERYTHING rusts in Durban!!)

So I bought the Degen DE 1103 to take in its place.

But that is also too good a radio!

Hence my thinking to buy a "cheapie" for that reason, but I also would like it to pick up a couple of low-powered FM stations (~5kW) that transmit from about 100Kms away from where I live, using its own telescopic antenna. Both the Sony & Degen are able to do this quite nicely! :)

Not sure that the Sony XDR-F1HD is available locally, I will make a few enquiries.

Thanks for your response!

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>
> Paul
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1901. Re: Tecsun 9700DX

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-22 17:56:07 UTC
From: texnote
Topic: 1895 Message: 1901

Ok, fair enough. I understand. For a cheap radio, if you don't mind a bigger unit than the DE1103, look into the Tecsun R308 (ebay item 190253660261). I don't have one, but I've heard good things about it's sensitivity on FM. See photos at http://www.tecsun.com.cn/product/308/308-2.htm

I am also looking for a good FM radio besides the DE1103 and have been thinking of this model, and the R9700DX. My problem is that apparently the latest 9700DX units all come in Chinese labeling.

Paul

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Eric <northcom@...> wrote:
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1902. Re: Tecsun 9700

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-22 20:58:26 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 1895 Message: 1902

Here I compared it with some other radios.

http://www.radiointel.com/review-various.htm

Jay
--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Eric <northcom@...> wrote:
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1903. Re: MTM Loop (OT)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-22 21:00:03 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 1897 Message: 1903

Right here.

http://www.radiointel.com/review-amloop.htm

Jay

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>
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> Is it out there yet?
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>
> Phil
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> Re: Newer versions of DE1103 vs. the Eton E5
> From: jallenhartford2000
>

1904. SSB Fine Tune knob

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-27 05:41:14 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1904 Message: 1904

Hello, everybody. I hope you all are doing well.

I received my Degen 1103 in february. I have not had any problem with this little and amazing radio, so far. It always shows me that it is working good in any way. Of course, this has nothing to do with atmospheric conditions.

The only problem I had was with the SSB fine tuning knob. Since I like to hear utilities I opted for doing something very simple. I listened to several am broadcasting stations (medium power, about 100 kw) using the SSB fine tuning knob until I made sure I could hear them well. Then, using a "touch & go" pencil I marked in white the point in which I was abled to listen well. Of course, it is not and it will never be the exact point, but it is very close to it. Strong station can not be heard well using the SSS fine tuning knob.

I keep my radio with the SSB fine tuning showing the white mark in the middle. And, usually, when hearing those single side banded utilities the white mark is in the middle. I use have to worry about moving the knob a little bit. Never like it happened before. If the station is not close to the right frequency, of course, one has to move the knob farther. So, it is better to be sure that the radio is positioned in the correct frequency. As you know, many transmitters are always off the correct frequency by few hertz. So there is nothing we can do and this little and good radio, too.

I hope you be able to understand my finding and methodology. It is certainly helping me a great deal.

Very best wishes and regards,

Carlos

1905. Re: [de1103] SSB Fine Tune knob

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-27 13:55:49 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 1904 Message: 1905

Hi Carlos,
that is exactly what I did and it is very useful
indeed. It also helps when one wants to make a
rough estimate of the offset of those AM stations
that are not exactly on-frequency, without having
to go back and forth to a known station of reliable frequency.

73,
Moisés

Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

1906. Re: SSB Fine Tune knob

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-09-27 17:40:23 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1904 Message: 1906

Yes, Moises, it is also useful for what you mention. But I believe the greatest thing it to keep the tuning section of the radio centered. I can not explain this well in English but I hope you understand. It is so good to hear from you again. I hope everyting is Ok in Uruguay.

Regards,

Carlos

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> Moises Knochen
> Montevideo, Uruguay
>

1907. Re: SSB Fine Tune knob

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-01 03:30:17 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 1904 Message: 1907

If you use the narrow filter and your tuning method, the audio will be muffled and interference in the region of the suppressed sideband will be more objectionable than if you use a tuning method that favours one sideband over the other. I described the technique in message #610. Even for double sideband with carrier, the off-centred tuning of the BFO (Fine Tuning) helps a bit with fading distortions. A shortcoming (at least in my older 1103) is the limited range of the BFO to about +/-1.5 kHz from the IF centre. That prevents shifting the tuning far enough for optimal suppression of the unwanted sideband with the cheap IF filter. However, widening the range to the needed +/-3.5 kHz would make the control far coarser; it's already too coarse.

Tom

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Carlos Vargas Vidal" <vargasvidal@...> wrote:
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> > Montevideo, Uruguay

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1908. Re: SSB Fine Tune knob

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-01 07:39:12 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1904 Message: 1908

Thanks so much, Tom, for you fine explanation. It is indeed a more accurate account of the subject.

Best regards,

Carlos

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tom Holden VE3MEO" <holden_family@...> wrote:
>
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>
> Tom
>
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1909. Access

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-04 07:47:18 UTC
From: Frank Vallance
Topic: 1909 Message: 1909

How come I cannot access members files?
Regards
Frank
vk4fus/p8 (Darwin)

1910. Re: [de1103] Access

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-04 10:34:38 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1909 Message: 1910

----- Original Message -----
From: Frank Vallance
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, October 04, 2008 8:47 AM
Subject: [de1103] Access

How come I cannot access members files?
Regards
Frank
vk4fus/p8 (Darwin)

I've not heard of anyone else having problems. You could try Yahoo support.

Leon (Moderator)
--
Leon Heller
Amateur radio call-sign G1HSM
Yaesu FT-817ND transceiver
Suzuki SV1000S motorcycle
leon355@btinternet.com
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller

1911. Degen finicky about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-04 22:12:49 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 1909 Message: 1911

My Degen 1103 will not function using the 2500 double AA Energizers.

It works fine using the 2,000 rechargeable batteries.

Is that normal for the radio?

1912. Re: [de1103] Degen finicky about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-04 23:26:46 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 1909 Message: 1912

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Clyde Benson" <clydebenson@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, October 04, 2008 11:12 PM
Subject: [de1103] Degen finicky about batteries

> My Degen 1103 will not function using the 2500 double AA Energizers.
>
> It works fine using the 2,000 rechargeable batteries.
>
> Is that normal for the radio?

Do you mean it doesn't even turn on? I don't think that anyone else has
mentioned a problem with ordinary batteries.

Leon
--
Leon Heller
Amateur radio call-sign G1HSM
Yaesu FT-817ND transceiver
Suzuki SV1000S motorcycle
leon355@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller
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1913. Re: [de1103] Degen finicky about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-05 02:14:04 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1909 Message: 1913

It sounds as though the batteries were not fully charged or perhaps one was inserted incorrectly or one of them was faulty. The current rating of the cells will not have any bearing. If anything, they should last longer with the higher rated cell.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "Clyde Benson" <clydebenson@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 05, 2008 11:12 AM
Subject: [de1103] Degen finicky about batteries

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1914. Re: [de1103] Degen finicky about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-05 05:48:32 UTC
From: Clyde Benson
Topic: 1909 Message: 1914

OK,

With the higher rated 2500 Energizers it would turn on for a secondf,
blink and then shut down. with the 2000 rated Thomas ansmann
batteries, it works finel. I do have a couple of near dead batteries though.

I'll have to make sure that is not the problem.

I'll play with it some more domani mattina.

At 09:14 PM 10/4/2008, you wrote:

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>inserted incorrectly or one of them was faulty. The current rating of the
>cells will not have any bearing. If anything, they should last longer with
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>Paul
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>----- Original Message -----
>From: "Clyde Benson"
><<mailto:clydebenson%40charter.net>clydebenson@...>
>To: <<mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com>de1103@yahoogroups.com>
>Sent: Sunday, October 05, 2008 11:12 AM
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1915. Re: Degen finicky about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-05 21:35:47 UTC
From: Don Boyd
Topic: 1909 Message: 1915

< With the higher rated 2500 Energizers it would turn on for a secondf, blink and then shut down. with the 2000 rated Thomas ansmann batteries, it works finel. I do have a couple of near dead batteries though.>

If the batteries are dead that is what the radio will do. It keeps the batteries from being drained down to nothing and damaging them.

Don

1916. Accumulators in Degen 1103,1121

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-08 10:31:52 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 1916 Message: 1916

Hi all,

I tested capacity of original "Degen" accumulators from my DE1103 and 1121.

(Photo of my home made tester is here: http://krysatec.benghi.org/phprs/view.php?cisloclanku=2008100701)

And results are terrible!

Here are 1300mAh accumulators, but if you charge it in Degen, capacity is only 200-250mAh!!!

If you use "very good" charger, maximal capacity is cca 800mAh!

I know, that it is not "new information" ... but it was good test for my tester!

Best regards, Jara "Rat", Czechia, EU

1917. Re: Degen finicky about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-09 04:48:57 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1909 Message: 1917

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I do not think so. I use 2000 and 2400 AA rechargeable batteries regularly, and never had had a difficulty. However, every time I remove batteries, I have to perform a reset on the 1103 or it behaves badly, if at all.

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Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM

1918. Re: Accumulators in Degen 1103,1121

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-09 06:29:38 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 1916 Message: 1918

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1919. Re: Accumulators in Degen 1103,1121

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-09 08:42:18 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 1916 Message: 1919

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
>
> Can you also run identical test(s) against other brands of AA
> accumulators/batteries? Thanks.
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Not "identical" test, because my tester is only 3 days "old"...

But capability of accumulators from my Degens (I have 2x DE1103 and 1x DE1121, 6month to 2years old) are "the same" for all accumulators!
NOT MORE than 800mAh!

(If you use continual discharge 150mA to 1V per one accumulator.
Tester tested two accumulators in serial engagement).

But I tested also other accumulators, for instance Sanyo 1700, see:
http://www.ges.cz/?
ipp=12&lang=en&cur=EUR&or=sort&page=index&of=1&gcat=XL55&inc=browse

and picture: UM 3-NH1700 HR-3U

I have two Sanyo in my camera 2 years. I tested 1A/10 seconds and 10seconds pause. Capability was cca. 1500mAh!!!
I think that result with continual discharge 150mA will be better!

(Sorry, I speak english a little, I learnt it cca 25y ago..)

But here is also other problem! Original "Degen" accumulators you cannot often charge in Degen1103, maximal capability was cca 300mAh after 20hours of charging in Degen!
The same result I have with "BEN Electronic charger" see picture:
http://krysatec.benghi.org/phprs/images/200810081352_111.jpg
(left)
..and this charger is not very "low cost" here!

Better results (800mAh) I have with "low cost" charger Sanyo (the same picture, right) !!!

Best regards, Jara Rat

1920. Re: Degen finicky about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-09 21:53:35 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1909 Message: 1920

Dear Gordon:

I have three set of batteries: 1) the Degen 1300 mAh; 2) the Techman 1800 mAh (I believe made also in China); and, 3) the Radio Shack 2100 mAh. They all get charged with a Radio Shack 4-6 hours battery charger and work fine. I mean they all last several hours in the radio. I have not checked the time of each set.

I bought the radio from eBay in february. And I have never performed a reset in the radio.

I would not say more. Best regards,

Carlos
Panama

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1921. Great price on a demo Kaito KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-11 18:27:41 UTC
From: Dennis Gibson
Topic: 1921 Message: 1921

Universal Radio has a demo Kaito KA1103 for $56.95, a great price. I bought a demo Kaito KA1101 from them a year and a half ago; there wasn't a scratch on it and all of the accessories were included. If I hadn't bought a couple of new radios recently (Eton E100 and Sangean DT-400W) I'd buy it as a spare.

http://www.universal-radio.com/alert.html

73

1922. FS: Kaito 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-11 23:42:20 UTC
From: nz8j
Topic: 1922 Message: 1922

I recently bought a second hand Kaito 1103 (Silver color) to use for some ham band listening while camping etc and to complement my Elecraft K1. Unfortunately, it appears to have the blown FET syndrome. It is very sensitive on AM BCB and FM bands, and with an external long wire antenna clipped to the whip it is very sensitive on the ham and shortwave bands, however with just the whip antenna it is deaf as a post on ham and sw bands.(the DX/Local switch is in the dx position) I know there is file that outlines how to replace the FET, but I have neither the time nor patience to do it. The radio is in excellent condition, comes with the original box, manual, power adapter, rechargable batteries, wire plug in antenna, and ear buds.

If some one would like to buy it and fix it, make me an offer, cash or trade for something radio related, ham or shortwave. I'm open to offers.
Thanks
Tim
NZ8J

1923. Re: Degen finicky about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-12 17:13:13 UTC
From: Nash
Topic: 1909 Message: 1923

I have been using the Degen 1300 mAh and Powerex 2300 mAh batteries without any problems. Although the Degen batteries never ran as long as the Powerex, lately they have been dying much sooner. I checked with a battery tester after the last use and found one the four to be completly dead, while the others were just at the point of needing a charge. I also noted afterward that the one problem battery took way longer to recharge.

I would suggest if you are having battery problems just after charging, use a battery tester to check each battery individually. Your charger may only be charging in groups of two or four, so the one bad battery will be mistaken as fully charged.

I am using a Powerex C401FS charger that monitors each battery individually. There are other chargers on the market now that can do the same. I got very poor service from the freeby Degen batteries in the beginning, but when I started charging them in the Powerex charger, they performed much better. Now that the one battery is failing, I would guess that it's time to retire them. I've read it's not good to mix up old & new or different capacity batteries in digital cameras. The same would probably apply to radios too.

Another thing to check is the length of your batteries. There was a post in the distant past by a user who noted the freeby batteries received were marginally shorter than other brands he owned. Also make sure the springs in the battery compartment are seated properly against the battery terminals.

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1924. Re: Degen finicky about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-12 19:24:47 UTC
From: Carlos Vargas Vidal
Topic: 1909 Message: 1924

Nash: I hope you understando my English. Thanks. I had the same problem with one of my batteries Techman. Then, I did what I read from a battery expert. I took a 12 dc volts adapter a charge the wrong battery (the one completely dead) for about a second, and the battery came back to the point of needing a charge. Since then I have not had any problem with that battery.

Your suggestion about testing every battery before installing is the best to do. It happens that the radio does not function long enough because one or more batteries are not fully charged.

Best regards,

Carlos
Panama

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nash" <nash2042004@...> wrote:
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1925. Re: [de1103] Re: Accumulators in Degen 1103,1121

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-13 03:28:14 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 1916 Message: 1925

Has anyone else seen this gizmo?? http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=13026
1995716&ih=003&category=15051&ssPageName=STORE:PROMOBOX:CUST
----- Original Message -----
From: knyuen88
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, October 09, 2008 2:29 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Accumulators in Degen 1103,1121

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> my tester!
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1926. Whip modificattion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-13 14:45:24 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 1926 Message: 1926

Hi. I am new to the group, and awaiting the delovery of my KA-1103. I would like to share a couple of things. First, a slight modification that I have done to the whip on my Grundig G5. I put heat shrink tubing on the bottom section of the whip. This is to prevent static damage from touching the whip. I know you can still touch the tip, but this lessens the chance of accidental contact. I got the idea from some older protables that I had a few years bac, that had the bottom section of their whips covered with plastic tubing. I will be doing this mod to my KA1193 also.

Another tip for those who might have scuffs or scratches on the clear plastic cover over the LCD display. While toothpaste will work as a polish, I have found that Novus Plastic Polish works better. There are several grades. #1 is mainly for cleaning, and gives a very clean and anti-static surface. #2 is for polishing out small scratches. #3 is for polishing out heavier scratches (I have never needed or used #3). They are available from Antique Electronic Supply (I have no connection with Antique Electronic Supply except as a satisfied customer)

BTW, Novus products are also good for cleaning and removing scratches from CDs and DVDs.

As to NiMH batteries, I use the Kodak brand (pre-charged) 2100Mah batteries in my G5. They give about 25 to 28 hours on a charge before the radio shuts off. I have had no problem charging them in the radio, except that it takes too long. I have found that the Digital Concepts brand (like the inexpensive batteries that are sent out with the Kaito/Degen radios apparently) do not have very good quality control, so that out of a set of 4, at least 1 is likely to not be up to par. So far, no problem with the 4 sets of the Kodak batteries. Being precharged, they are probably tested at the same time. They also seem to hold a charge longer than the DigitalCconcepts batteries when not in use. Of course, your mileage may vary!

I mostly use my G5 on battery power, and will probably do the same with the KA1103.

TTYL

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1927. Question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-13 16:07:48 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 1927 Message: 1927

Hi Guys. I have been reading the archived messages on the web page, and after seeing some of them I have a question. Does the external antenna jack attenuate signals like the one on the E5/G5 radios? This is a "feature" that is not mentioned in my G5 manual, but I was told via an email from Eton that the external antenna jack "attenuates signals so as to prevent strong signals from overloading the radio when using an external antenna".

Of course, this may just mean that the external antenna jack is connected later in the RF chain than the whip.

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1928. Re: [de1103] Question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-13 17:13:10 UTC
From: leon Heller
Topic: 1927 Message: 1928

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Martin" <kb0hae@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, October 13, 2008 5:07 PM
Subject: [de1103] Question

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> from overloading the radio when using an external antenna".
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The whip antenna has an amplifier, which is by-passed when using the jack.

Leon
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1929. External AM Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-16 23:37:34 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1929 Message: 1929

I ordered a DE200 mw antenna early in the month, and it arrived yesterday. I'd not used a steerable antenna system in a long time, and wasn't at all sure it would make much of a difference.

Well, it did. About 3 bars worth on the signal meter. Careful tuning of the capacitance knob on the antenna helped peak signals. By some careful steering of the antenna, I was able to almost entirely null out several interfering stations. I was able to find many more stations at night, and listen to them relatively free of undesired stations.

(The 200 is the Degen external am antenna made as a small circular loop, not the rectangular mw antenna booster made out of hard wood.)

73,

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM

1930. 21951+Service Manual

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-18 20:34:00 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 1930 Message: 1930

Hi - I'm another newcomer - having tried 21951 - interesting - it worked, but whenever in that mode, everything was severly attenuated - is a section of the front end disconnected? Also, is a service manual &/or schematic available? (Should give some valuable information, but I admit I haven't fully browsed the archives!) Regards, Bob, VK2CAN.

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1931. Re: External AM Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-25 00:42:31 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 1929 Message: 1931

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I often wonder how the AN-200 / DE-200 compares to the Terk AM-1000 loop.

1932. Re: [de1103] Re: External AM Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-25 02:41:47 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1929 Message: 1932

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1933. Re: External AM Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-25 16:33:21 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 1929 Message: 1933

I assume you guys are talking about the Tecsun AN-200 loop? I have compared that with the Degen Wooden Loop, the Terk AM Advantage and the Select-A-Tenna Model M. They are too clsoe to discern any differences in performance, which would make sense since they are about the same size and have the same capture area. Passive loops of this size should all perform similarly and these all do. The only passive loop I have which materially outperforms them is the MTM Scientific which again makes sense as it is aproximately twice the size of the smaller loops.

Jay

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1934. Re: 21951+Service Manual

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-27 14:42:43 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1930 Message: 1934

http://f1.grp.yahoofs.com/v1/YMkFSdfGR191F1vyB5aKh0H2fBRBakN-Eg04o77l2RPmcCSE7bDHHaPiSUzODap3RFixJbtL1-V7CmOI3B0LrtDbuLVy0HZjBg/de1103_main.jpg

1935. Router recomendations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-27 23:27:59 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 1935 Message: 1935

Hi Guys. Can anyone recommend a wired Ethernet router that does not produce RF in the HF frequency range? I have an older Belkin router here. It wasn't a problem when I had dial-up internet access, because it was only plugged in when I wanted to transfer files between computers. Now that I have broadband (cable) internet the router needs to be on most of the time.

While the RF is not too bad, it is annoying, and does wipe out some weak signals. I might replace it if I could find one that doesn't [produce RF noise in the HF spectrum. I have tried ferite choked on all the Ethernet cables, and the power cord, but that didn't help. Apparently the noise is radiated from the router itself.

I would be grateful for any suggestions of brands/models of routers to try.

Thanks.

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1936. Re: [de1103] Router recomendations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-28 00:58:08 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 1935 Message: 1936

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> try.
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The noise that a computer bit seems to always add to a signal is
certainly not good for reception or anything else. It would seem to me
that one solution would be to build an optical router using a fiber
light pipe carrying a signal in two directions. I'd be surprised if some
amateur radio operator had not cobbled something like this together.

73

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM
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1937. Re: [de1103] Router recomendations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-28 04:50:18 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1935 Message: 1937

I think you will find the router will only be part of the problem, the computer itself puts out quite a lot of noise.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "Gordon Cooper" <nwlorax@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 28, 2008 1:58 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Router recomendations

> martin wrote:
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>> try.
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> The noise that a computer bit seems to always add to a signal is
> certainly not good for reception or anything else. It would seem to me
> that one solution would be to build an optical router using a fiber
> light pipe carrying a signal in two directions. I'd be surprised if some
> amateur radio operator had not cobbled something like this together.
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> 73
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> Gordon Cooper
> KE7RYM
> Bremerton, WA
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>> Thanks.

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1938. Router problem solved

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-28 15:54:49 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 1938 Message: 1938

Hi Guys. Thr router noise problem has been solved. As some suggested, it was the dirty switching power supply. I had an old Triplite 12Vdc 7 amp supply which I had rebuilt into an 18.75 volt 3.5 amp supply (the main board had failed years before)for use with a laptop computer. I used an LM338 5 amp adjustable voltage regulator, and so was able to adjust the voltage down to 5 volts to run the router. Now I only hear noise from the router if the radio is within a few inches of it.

So if you have a similar problem, it may be the power supply, even if the noise goes away when you unplug the supply from the router (or other device) and the power supply is still plugged in.

Thanks for all the suggestions!

TTYL

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1939. Re: Router problem solved

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-29 14:41:30 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1938 Message: 1939

Thanks for the info Martin!!!
Very helpfull!!!
Rg.; jan

1940. This is fun.....!!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-29 15:00:20 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1940 Message: 1940

http://websdr.ewi.utwente.nl:8901/

"On this page you can listen to and control a short-wave receiver located at the amateur radio club ETGD at the University of Twente. In contrast to other web-controlled receivers, this receiver can be tuned by multiple users simultaneously, thanks to the use of Software-Defined Radio."

If you are a HAM-operator you can monitor your own signal.
This DX-station is located in the East part of the Netherlands-Europe.
Only 80 & 40 meterbands are working, the 20 meterband circuit is out of order.

Have fun!!
Reg.: jan

1941. Re: This is fun.....!!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-29 20:02:56 UTC
From: modembreath
Topic: 1940 Message: 1941

Thanks for the link.

You're right, it is fun.

The 20 meter one seems to work, I was hearing signals there, just not as strong as the 80 and 40 meter ones.

Don
WA7OCZ

1942. Re: This is fun.....!!!!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-10-30 08:26:36 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 1940 Message: 1942

You are right Don!!
This what is written on the main page of WebSDR:
"News 17 October: We recently overhauled the 20m receiver: we corrected an error in the circuit and shifted the frequency into the SSB segment of the band, but it still hears disappointingly little, so presumably there's still something wrong with it."

Reg.: jan

1943. preamplifier stage

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-02 15:10:26 UTC
From: gnefro60
Topic: 1943 Message: 1943

hi,I am new in the group;just one question:
who knows wich is the best replacement for the hard to find yj7 fet?
It happened to me that the fet burned up with electrostaticity,so I
replaced it with a bf 861b,but it seems to me that the yj7 was far
more sensitive.Any suggestions?

it happened to me

1944. Re: [de1103] preamplifier stage

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-02 20:54:20 UTC
From: KEN ATV
Topic: 1943 Message: 1944

Try 2N4416a or J310 Both are hotter than the MPF102.

--- On Sun, 11/2/08, gnefro60 <gnefro60@...> wrote:
From: gnefro60 <gnefro60@...>
Subject: [de1103] preamplifier stage
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, November 2, 2008, 3:10 PM

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1945. Re: Router recomendations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-06 13:09:17 UTC
From: aircheckclover
Topic: 1935 Message: 1945

Martin; I've not done the RF noise witch hunt yet, but from all my reading, the culprit is mostly the switching power supply feeding the router. You can easily confirm this by replacing the AC supply with an old-style transformer unit.

-Mark

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1946. Re: [de1103] Re: Router recomendations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-06 15:57:48 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 1935 Message: 1946

Hi Mark. I did just that (see my previous post). No more noise from
the router, now to get to work on the pesky cable modem...it has a
transformer type power supply.

TTYL

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1947. Band Stops.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-07 11:51:41 UTC
From: bobyorston
Topic: 1947 Message: 1947

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1948. Re: Band Stops.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-07 13:54:07 UTC
From: disklog
Topic: 1947 Message: 1948

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "bobyorston" <bobyorston@...> wrote:
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info you need. Have fun.

1949. Re: Band Stops.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-07 19:34:51 UTC
From: bobyorston
Topic: 1947 Message: 1949

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "disklog" <transmitatv@...> wrote:
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frequency, rather than just continue turning the tuning knob - that's
what I meant by "Band Stops"!

1950. BF861b's needed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-08 01:18:03 UTC
From: radeohedca
Topic: 1950 Message: 1950

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I can get 'em off eBAy but I don't need 100 of them.
Reply direct by e-mail please.

1951. Re: BF861b's needed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-08 16:33:44 UTC
From: gnefro60
Topic: 1950 Message: 1951

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "radeohedca" <hughd@...> wrote:
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1952. Re: BF861b's needed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-08 17:40:15 UTC
From: radeohedca
Topic: 1950 Message: 1952

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I guess I'm looking for someone who may have bought the eBay deal that is willing to sell me 2 of the 99 pcs that they have leftover for a reasonable price. That would defray their overall cost and make me happy :)

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1953. Re: [de1103] Re: BF861b's needed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-08 17:45:06 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1950 Message: 1953

I can help you. Please send me your address via personal mail.

Horacio Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

--- El sáb, 8/11/08, radeohedca <hughd@cogeco.ca> escribió:

De: radeohedca <hughd@...>
Asunto: [de1103] Re: BF861b's needed
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: sábado, 8 noviembre, 2008 3:40

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1954. Re: BF861b's needed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-08 17:49:42 UTC
From: radeohedca
Topic: 1950 Message: 1954

Thanks Haracio.

Do you have Paypal ?
I can send you a couple of $$.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Horacio Nigro <hanigrodx@...> wrote:
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1955. Re: [de1103] Re: BF861b's needed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-08 21:36:08 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1950 Message: 1955

No Paypal here.... only Western Union...
Where do you live?

Horacio Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

--- El sáb, 8/11/08, radeohedca <hughd@...> escribió:

De: radeohedca <hughd@...>
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1956. Re: [de1103] Re: BF861b's needed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-08 21:58:16 UTC
From: hughd@cogeco.ca
Topic: 1950 Message: 1956

I'm near Toronto, Canada.
I sent you a PM with my address.
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1957. Re: Band Stops.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-08 22:07:46 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 1947 Message: 1957

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No solution; I share your gripe and the fact that I may be in SSB
mode between bands (utilities) and the mode switches to AM when
captured by a band.

A suggestion: program some memories with the start and/or ends of the
between bands. I programmed memories 80, 60, 40, 30, 20, 18, 15, 11,
10 with a frequency in the respective ham meter bands in SSB mode
plus one other for 160m that couldn't match since it is out of the
range of acceptable hexadecimal values.

Tom

1958. What is device B1 at input of mixer?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-08 23:33:52 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 1958 Message: 1958

I assume 'B' stands for Balun as it drives a push pull balanced mixer.
Any idea what its inductance and turns ratio might be? I'm trying to
model the input network in LTspice.

Tom

1959. Re: [de1103] Re: Band Stops.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-09 00:54:15 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 1947 Message: 1959

My apologies to "disklog" - yes, it does work, but I tend not to use that mode normally, because everything from 100 to 1700kHz is attenuated - I guess the DE1103 only uses the telescopic antenna in the "opened-up" mode' rather than the amplified ferrite rod - is there a solution for this?

--- On Sun, 9/11/08, Tom Holden VE3MEO <holden_family@...> wrote:

From: Tom Holden VE3MEO <holden_family@...>
Subject: [de1103] Re: Band Stops.
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Received: Sunday, 9 November, 2008, 9:07 AM

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> > > I've got used to the volume control - I've got used to the
> pointer, and
> > > everything else about the DE1103, but - please! Has anyone got
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> > > solution to how you can continuously tune from 100kHz to
> 29,999kHz - to
> > > get rid of those Band Stops? (Hopefully, this has come up
> somewhere,
> > > and I've missed it!)
> > >
> > Look in this groups file section. The file titled Extended has the
> > info you need. Have fun.
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> Thanks, but - if you mean the file "1103 extendet.txt" - I am aware
> of that, and use it - what bugs me is - if I am tuned to 4100kHz
and
> want to go up to 4101kHz and above, I have to enter in a new
> frequency, rather than just continue turning the tuning knob -
that's
> what I meant by "Band Stops"!
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No solution; I share your gripe and the fact that I may be in SSB
mode between bands (utilities) and the mode switches to AM when
captured by a band.

A suggestion: program some memories with the start and/or ends of the
between bands. I programmed memories 80, 60, 40, 30, 20, 18, 15, 11,
10 with a frequency in the respective ham meter bands in SSB mode

plus one other for 160m that couldn't match since it is out of the range of acceptable hexadecimal values.

Tom

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1960. Re: BF861b's needed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-09 06:16:02 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 1950 Message: 1960

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1961. 30 - 40MHz.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-09 12:26:47 UTC
From: bobyorston
Topic: 1961 Message: 1961

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1962. Re: 30 - 40MHz.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-09 21:47:31 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 1961 Message: 1962

The mod probably does what it is supposed to. The receiver doen not do what you need and that is filter out all the spectrum except that which you want nor generate any spurious harmonic and intermord products. As far as I am concerned, my KA1103 is notoriously poor in these aspects in its intended tuning range. Strong signals overload either the preamp or the mixer and generate harmonics and intermod. 2nd IF images are strrong on the MW band and the LW band, appearing 900kHz below the transmitter frequency. The 1st Local Oscillator or the mixer generates spurs that result in unstable images of the lower half of the SW spectrum popping up in the 20-30MHz region, along with other unidentifiable crap probably coming from inside the set.

You'll need to add a 20-30 MHz high-pass filter or a 20-40MHz bandpass filter at the antenna input to clean up your reception of the 30-40MHz range.

Good luck,
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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-10 19:16:35 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 1950 Message: 1963

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1964. Schematics for revised versions?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-11 02:32:14 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 1964 Message: 1964

Has anyone got a schematic for any of the revised versions? I believe current production of the main board is at Mark IV which implies there may have been up to 5 versions: original (un-Marked) and 3 (if original was implicitly Mark 1) or 4 (if Mark 1 was a revision) later ones.

I have been trying to model wind_nv's modification of the low-pass filter at the input of the mixer and apply it to the 1103 schematic but find the description has part numbers that do not exist or do not correspond with the only schematic I have found (the one watermarked russianscanner is identical to the non-watermarked one on the French website).

It would be really great if this website had schematics for all versions of the 1103 available.

Tom

1965. Re: BF861b's needed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-11 22:42:29 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 1950 Message: 1965

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1966. Miracle Whip and the 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-13 04:57:00 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 1966 Message: 1966

The Miracle Whip antenna (http://www.miracleantenna.com/MiracleWhip.html) is a 57in. telescoping whip with a one-knob tuner for impedance matching. While aimed at the low-power portable ham transceiver market, it also is of interest to SWL's as it can provide remarkable gain over an untuned short antenna. The manufacturer claims up to 30-40dB advantage over much shorter antennas like rubber duckies. I was given one along with a Yaesu FT-817 transceiver and would otherwise not be putting it together with my KA1103 as it costs twice the price of the radio!

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Then I stuck a 1:9 impedance transformer between the MFJ and the radio. That boosted signals but 160m was still weaker than needed. The 1:9 was an Erickson Engineering 9:1 intended for an end-fed long wire antenna used in the opposite direction.

I figured a preselector would be better than the T-net antenna tuner at suppressing unwanted energy both above and below the desired freq range. Lacking one, I converted the MFJ-901B by grounding the caps in parallel with the inductor. Using the same config as before, I got similar results and was disappointed at how broad its peak was.

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Date: 2008-11-13 17:10:45 UTC
From: aircheckclover
Topic: 1966 Message: 1967

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Thanks for the comments, Mark.

I agree with you about the tunable loop. Does anyone know how the DE31 stacks up in the IP department? It's certainly transportable with just one knob to tweak but not self-supporting.

Assuming you are feeding the sloper via co-ax to the 9:1 unun mounted at the antenna, you might want to add a 1:9 at the input of the 1103. Then you can insert any devices in between intended for 50 Ohm in/out, e.g., HPF, conventional preselector, and have it work more or less as intended. Of course the antenna impedance is going to be all over the map at different frequencies but, on average, high. And so the impedance on the low side of the unun is going to range widely around something like a 50Ohm average and the devices will be affected accordingly.

Good luck on the remotely tuned loop project. That may have to be my solution, too, for a fixed antenna. But I still want to transmit from home with my FT817 and need to do something a little more efficient.

I think one has to be wary about building bricks to make these little radios work the way we want. What's the point of a small radio if it's anchored to its accessories?

Thanks for the tip on Dallas Lankford's tuned whip mod for the 2010. I found undocumented references to it using Google and think I found what you meant in the Files of the icf2010 Yahoo group which I joined just for this purpose. It's titled:
"Sony 2010-X (Corrected) And -XA (Tuned Whip Mods)
Dallas Lankford 12/2/06, rev. 4/4/07"
It looks like the 2010 is substantially larger than the 1103; adding three more controls to the latter may be next to impossible! Anyway, it will make for an interesting read.

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> > sources but also from SW signals. So for digging DX out of the
mud,
> > reducing the mud and elevating the desired signal seems the right
> > thing to do.
> >
> > Directly hooking the Miracle Whip into the antenna jack produced
> > unanticipated and disappointing results. Tuning it was ambiguous
as
> > one might be peaking intermod products instead of the desired
> > frequency range. Indeed, I had one set of IM products pop up
around
> > 5MHz from the local 1010 and 1050 kHz stations that corresponded
with
> > the peak for 5MHz - these products were not evident with the
1103's
> > whip.
> >
> > The MiWh tuning element is not your typical LC network - there's
no C
> > and the L is a continuously variable autotransformer (CVAT). So
> > unlike the typical Pi or T or other LC network, there is no
inherent
> > low-pass or high-pass filtering. While there must be some degree
of
> > selectivity introduced by the match, there may be other spurious
> > responses. The 1103 looks to have a high impedance at the antenna
> > jack, probably 400R with the attenuator on and a high reactive
> > impedance with it off. The MiWh designer allowed that the CVAT
would
> > not provide much selectivity into a high impedance.
> >
> > I interjected my MFJ-901B transmitting antenna tuner - a T
network
> > high pass filter comprising 10-324pF air variables in series on
input
> > and output and a 17-18uH tapped coil to ground in between. That
> > helped to reduce the MW products but also killed 160m and
weakened
> > 80m more than I liked.

> >
> > Then I stuck a 1:9 impedance transformer between the MFJ and the
> > radio. That boosted signals but 160m was still weaker than
needed.
> > The 1:9 was an Erickson Engineering 9:1 intended for an end-fed
long
> > wire antenna used in the opposite direction.
> >
> > I figured a preselector would be better than the T-net antenna
tuner
> > at suppressing unwanted energy both above and below the desired
freq
> > range. Lacking one, I converted the MFJ-901B by grounding the
caps in
> > parallel with the inductor. Using the same config as before, I
got
> > similar results and was disappointed at how broad its peak was.
> >
> > Did some calculations and realised that the modified MFJ would be
> > more selective if it was operating with a high source and load
> > impedance. Moved the 1:9 ahead of the preselector and voila!
> > Selectivity! 160m popped up in level such that the attenuator
needs
> > to be on. It is so selective that the preselector peak is
narrower
> > than the bandwidth of any of the ham bands from 160m to 40m.
> >
> > There was, however, still some residual 2nd harmonic from the MW
> > stations. A 1.7MHz high pass filter would help. For the moment,
> > simply inserting an 82pF cap in series between the 1:9 and the
> > preselector dropped them out of sight. I think upgrading that to
a 3-
> > element Chebyshev filter will provide some extra margin.
> >
> > VHF-FM images remain a problem, and are present even with the
input
> > jack terminated in a 50 ohm load, indicating ingress directly
into
> > the pc board that only shielding can solve. Nonetheless, it is
worse
> > with the antenna so I plan to add a 33Mhz Butterworth (ripple
free)
> > low pass filter after the preselector. The radio's low pass
filter,
> > according to LTspice simulations I have done has a lot of ripple
> > already around 25MHz that would be compounded by adding a more
> > aggressive Chebyshev pre-filter.
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> > that is as that runs counter to the simulation. But the radio

suffers
> > from so many birdies and images above here that it discourages
one
> > from using the upper frequencies.
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> > So the Miracle Whip may not be a great choice for the 1103 as you
> > have to interface so much more in between to make the radio
really
> > fly. I do get substantially higher levels from this system than
from
> > the built-in whip and preamp and the unwanted MW byproducts have
been
> > eliminated or subtsantially reduced. Moreover, it has been a good
> > learning experience for me and I now have a prototype for what I
may
> > build as an interface for any external antenna:
> >
> > bypassable 1:9 -- 1.7MHz HPF -- bypassable preselector -- 33MHz
LPF --
> > 1103 ant jack
> >
> > I would use 450 ohms as the target design impedance from the
ouput of
> > the 1:9 to the radio.
> >
> > Hope this was of some interest; it must have been if you read
this
> > far!
> >
> > 73, Tom VE3MEO
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1969. DE1103 Battery Life

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-13 19:40:55 UTC
From: Tom Welch
Topic: 1969 Message: 1969

I just got a DE1103 from China this morning and have one question: What kind of battery life can I expect from regular AAs and rechargeable AAs?

I have the Sanyo 2000mAH AA rechargeables and charger setup.

Thank you,
Tom Welch > Author, Consultant and Researcher
http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/pmcheatsheets/
http://health.groups.yahoo.com/group/rollator/

1970. Hands off my 1103! (desensitizes it)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-14 00:31:06 UTC
From: old_speaker_guy
Topic: 1970 Message: 1970

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This isn't a loose connection, I'm not tapping the radio. The same effect happens if I just bring my hand up to, but not touching the surface.

My magnetic personality??

David

1971. Re: [de1103] Hands off my 1103! (desensitizes it)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-14 01:01:46 UTC
From: hughd@cogeco.ca
Topic: 1970 Message: 1971

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1972. Re: [de1103] Hands off my 1103! (desensitizes it)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-14 04:26:43 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 1970 Message: 1972

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1973. Re: [de1103] Hands off my 1103! (desensitizes it)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-14 07:33:22 UTC
From: leon Heller
Topic: 1970 Message: 1973

----- Original Message -----
From: "old_speaker_guy" <dsmith@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, November 14, 2008 12:31 AM
Subject: [de1103] Hands off my 1103! (desensitizes it)

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Pressing the front of mine slightly causes the frequency to shift slightly.

Leon

1974. Re: [de1103] Hands off my 1103! (desensitizes it)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-14 12:46:30 UTC
From: Hugh Duff
Topic: 1970 Message: 1974

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1975. Re: [de1103] Hands off my 1103! (desensitizes it)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-14 14:23:11 UTC
From: leon Heller
Topic: 1970 Message: 1975

----- Original Message -----
From: "Hugh Duff" <hughd@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, November 14, 2008 12:46 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Hands off my 1103! (desensitizes it)

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It's quite small, and only noticeable with CW - the note changes slightly.

Leon

1976. Re: [de1103] Hands off my 1103! (desensitizes it)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-14 14:29:00 UTC
From: Hugh Duff
Topic: 1970 Message: 1976

Built-in RIT ;)

Hugh VA3TO

leon Heller wrote:
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Hugh Duff" <hughd@... <mailto:hughd%40cogeco.ca>>
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1977. Radio case

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-14 17:06:17 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 1970 Message: 1977

Hi Folks. I just received the radio case that I ordered from tquchina on eBay. It is a carry pouch with a flap, or as some call them a wrap around. It is not as well padded as the case that came with my G5, but it is similar otherwise. It is much better than the bag with string tie that came with my KA-1103. Not bad at all for $10.99 (international shipping included). It fits the radio well, and is lined with soft material. I think the design is slightly odd. The radio is obviously meant to fit with the face towards what I consider the back of the case. It fits either way however, and this is not bothersome.

I am well please with this carry pouch.

TTYL

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1978. Home-made reel antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-14 20:05:06 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 1970 Message: 1978

Hi Guys. I just uploaded two pics of a home-made reel antenna. The wire and the clip came from the 33 foot antenna that came with my Kaito KA-1103. I got the idea from the yo-yo antenna design. The reel just twists apart. The only extra materials were the two short hunks of heat-shrink tubing that I added to keep the knots in the hanging cord from coming undone.

Just an idea for those that like to roll your own!

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1979. Re: Hands off my 1103! (desensitizes it)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-14 22:58:14 UTC
From: old_speaker_guy
Topic: 1970 Message: 1979

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, martin <kb0hae@...> wrote:

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David

1980. Re: Hands off my 1103! (desensitizes it)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-15 04:51:46 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 1970 Message: 1980

David, I think this is just the effect of your body adding some capacitance to earth in the vicinity of the unscreened, high impedance RF and maybe IF amp circuits. If they were low impedance, you would see little effect. Making contact with the base of the antenna adds the greatest capacitance but you will note the level dropping even as you bring your hand near, especially if you are listening to a weak signal that does not show on the meter, so that the automatic gain (volume) control is inactive. Bringing your hand near the printed circuit board adds capacitance to all the traces; the high impedance circuits being affected the most.

73, Tom VE3MEO

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1981. Re: Miracle Whip and the 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-15 05:10:01 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 1966 Message: 1981

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tom Holden VE3MEO" <holden_family@...>
wrote:
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Nonetheless, I'm still having difficulty getting my LTspice simulation to behave exactly the way I observe the preselector to. There remain some anomalies.

Tom

1982. Today Radio St. Helena annual SW broadcast

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-15 19:43:26 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1982 Message: 1982

I nice test for the Degen DE1103

Today, Nov 15, 11092.5U, 2000-2100 to Japan, 2100-2230 to
Europe, and 2230-2330 to North America.

Horacio Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

1983. DE1103 Variants ???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-15 21:12:21 UTC
From: Tom Welch
Topic: 1983 Message: 1983

How many versions of the DE1103/KA1103 are there and how do you know what version you have?

Tom Welch
Mesa, AZ USA

1984. Re: [de1103] Today Radio St. Helena annual SW broadcast

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-15 23:22:56 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 1982 Message: 1984

Hi Guys. I was listening at various times today on 11092.5 with both my KA1103, and my G5. I hear the broadcast to Japan (very weak signal on both radios) using my 80M dipole. It is about 15 feet high at the center, and about 9 feet at each end. I also hear the broadcast to Europe (slightly better signal) on both radios. O could not hear the broadcast to japan on either radio on the whip antenna.s I could just barely hear the broadcast to Europe on both radios on the whip antennas

At 22:30 UTC, the signal disappeared entirely for about 15 minutes. Then it cam in fairly well on the 80M dipole. I still had a listen able signal using the whip antennas, and could just barely hear the signa when I collapsed the whips and folded them down.

The performance of the two radios was almost identical. I am pleased with both radios, but I prefer the memory system on the KA1103.

I am listening to Radio Australia on 17785Khz right now using the 80M dipole. I can pick up the signal on the whip, but it is kinda noisy at times.

TTYL

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1985. Mod for faster AGC - any experience?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-16 22:30:10 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 1985 Message: 1985

There's a Russian mod that proposes replacing 10uF C206 with a 1uF.

Has anybody on the board done the AGC mod?

What effect did it have for you?

Would you recommend any alteration to the mod?

I have always been bothered by the slow AGC attack speed - tune to a strong signal and there's an initial surge of distortion until the AGC pulls down the system gain. Listen to SSB voice, and there's a surge of distortion on the beginning of words after a pause.

Examining the schematic, I find that the AGC is developed inside the TA2057N chip and the only external component is a 10uF electrolytic capacitor C206. The datasheet shows an internal 100k in parallel with C206 plus transistors and other resistors with no values. So it's easy to calculate the RC discharge time constant as 1 second but, lacking more information, it's impossible to calculate the charge time constant.

Assuming the discharge time constant controls the AGC release speed (because 1 second would be much too long for attack), what is surprising is that the attack is nonetheless a large proportion of the release speed, else we would not hear it so readily. Reducing the release time should have a proportionate effect on the attack time. I believe that the attack time should be 5-10% of the release time - much shorter and it is too twitchy, much longer and it does not catch the beginning of a signal quickly enough.

A 1 second release is quite desirable for steady AM signals and is in the range of what is commonly called "Slow AGC". It is preferable to faster AGC to reduce distortion due to AGC tracking of modulation by bass energy. A release on the order of 250 milliseconds is "Medium AGC" and often preferred for SSB speech and Morse code CW when you want to hear between words. A few tens of milliseconds is "Fast AGC" used in data modes or for Morse code CW when you want to hear between the letters, terrible for speech and music because of the high degree of modulation tracking.

The set of Russian modifications suggests replacing C206 with a 1uF capacitor, thus reducing its discharge time constant to 100ms. That seems a bit fast to me - I was thinking that 300ms (2.7 - 3.3uF) would be a good compromise for all modes.

Tom

1986. Re: Mod for faster AGC - any experience?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-17 19:14:38 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 1985 Message: 1986

Hi Tom,

I have it in my Degen. Result: for instance tuning indicator work also faster, it is better for tuning if you use for instance frame antenna with Degen (antenna tuning).

Best regards, Jara Rat

1987. Re: Mod for faster AGC - any experience?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-18 02:22:19 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 1985 Message: 1987

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Jara" <krysatec@...> wrote:
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Hi Jara,

Thanks for the feedback. I might have guessed you would be inside your
1103!

Was there any adverse effect on the AM and SSB audio distortion,
especially for bass frequencies?

Thanks,

Tom

1988. Battery charging

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-18 14:09:53 UTC
From: Amar Padekar
Topic: 1966 Message: 1988

Hi All,

I am not able to charge my batteries using inbuilt charger.
Can any one suggest steps to do this.

Thanks
Eknath

--- On Sat, 11/15/08, Tom Holden VE3MEO <holden_family@...> wrote:
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO <holden_family@...>
Subject: [de1103] Re: Miracle Whip and the 1103
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, November 15, 2008, 12:10 AM

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-18 16:15:43 UTC
From: leon Heller
Topic: 1966 Message: 1989

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Sent: Tuesday, November 18, 2008 2:09 PM
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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-18 22:46:01 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 1966 Message: 1990

Yes, Leon. Easier and better charge is obtained by an external source.

Horacio Nigro

Montevideo

Uruguay

--- El mar, 18/11/08, leon Heller <leon355@...> escribió:
De: leon Heller <leon355@...>
Asunto: Re: [de1103] Battery charging
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: martes, 18 noviembre, 2008 2:15

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From: martin
Topic: 1966 Message: 1991

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I use 1800 Mah batteries, and generally charge them in my smart charger.
The batteries last a very, very long time between charges. The batteries
are slightly warmed but that's all.

73,

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM

1993. Re: Mod for faster AGC - any experience?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-20 06:09:36 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 1985 Message: 1993

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tom Holden VE3MEO" <holden_family@...>
wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Jara" <krysatec@> wrote:
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> > Hi Tom,
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> also
> > faster, it is better for tuning if you use for instance frame
antenna
> > with Degen (antenna tuning).
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> > Best regards, Jara Rat
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> Hi Jara,
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> Thanks for the feedback. I might have guessed you would be inside
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> 1103!
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Hi Tom,

I think that I have not problems with distortion.

Best regards, Jara "Rat"

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Date: 2008-11-20 13:19:44 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 1985 Message: 1994

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Thanks, Jara. I guess that the speech/bass distortion due to AGC tracking remains pretty low below 100 Hz because the attack speed is such a high proportion of the release speed. Were it a Fast Attack (e.g. 5ms), the 100ms Release would have a higher level of distortion.

73, Tom

1995. updated schematic DE1103?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-27 20:32:04 UTC
From: Ulf
Topic: 1995 Message: 1995

Anyone got their hands on a late version schematic för DE1103?
Appreciate some input.
SM0KFR
Ulf

1996. Safe to take KA1103 to Cuba?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-11-30 23:57:03 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 1996 Message: 1996

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Tom

1997. Re: [de1103] Safe to take KA1103 to Cuba?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-01 04:24:25 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 1996 Message: 1997

Good point, one advantage is that the radio looks just like any portable transistor.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "Tom Holden VE3MEO" <holden_family@...>
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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-01 18:46:16 UTC
From: Tom Welch
Topic: 1996 Message: 1998

I have a Tecsun R 9012 world band radio that I
would very much like to give to a Cuban. So,
if anyone is going to Cuba, please email me
so I can donate this radio to a Cuban.

Tom Welch
Mesa, AZ USA

1999. Re: Safe to take KA1103 to Cuba?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-02 00:20:16 UTC
From: denis hakanson
Topic: 1996 Message: 1999
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2000. Broadband hash/interference; antenna suggestions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-10 17:25:19 UTC
From: Claudio Leite
Topic: 2000 Message: 2000

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2001. Re: Broadband hash/interference; BPL etc..

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-10 18:20:31 UTC
From: Hugh Duff
Topic: 2000 Message: 2001

Sounds similar to the wireless network adapters that you can buy to set up a "wireless" (non-RF like WiFi uses) network for your home. They inject data at the zero crossing of the A/C signal which turns your home A/C wiring into a "wired" network (ala "X10" except X10 uses very short data packets only when a command is issued so there is no problem with constant broadband noise).

Then of course there's "Broadband over PowerLine" (BPL) issue in North America.
Someone decided that we need yet another means to provide high speed data service aside from cable, DSL and satellite. Well the infrastructure is already in place... let's superimpose data onto power lines throughout a city ! Sounds great ...BUT... it was soon discovered that this scheme generates RFI in various parts of the RF spectrum, enough to render certain means of communications useless. The power distribution lines make for a great antenna and there is no escaping the interference when it's coming in on your A/C power lines.

Needless to say BPL is very unpopular with Radio Hams and in fact the ARRL (American Radio Relay League), RAC (Radio Amateurs of Canada) and other groups have formed study groups and are now fighting against the widespread use of BPL.

Some power companies are using the A/C lines for data acquisition... they no longer need to send out a meter maid to take a reading from your hydro meter on the side of your home. Here again is a form of BPL.

Time to move ?

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I'm not sure it's something of this nature since the indoor units do not have AC connections at all. They get power from the low-voltage, four-conductor line which I believe provides 36V DC.

I might try disconnecting the wires to the indoor units while maintaining the 220V AC line on. That should help me identify the problem better. Unfortunately I am also having actual heating problems with the system and the HVAC guy will be here soon so I don't want to mess around too much.

It's not power-company/BPL related since it goes away when I switch off the breaker to that particular circuit. There is still some noise but it's tolerable and has always been there. The power company must use some sort of remote metering but it doesn't seem to cause problems. DC is well-served by cable and DSL and I've never heard of any Internet BPL projects planned here.

Thanks.
-Claudio

2003. Re: Broadband hash/interference; antenna suggestions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-10 18:54:19 UTC
From: aircheckclover
Topic: 2000 Message: 2003

Claudio - Sorry to hear of the noise at your location. Sorry, I have no direct experience to help you but can answer that yes, the DE31 is a true loop. It is active not passive in that there are electronics used. But by design, it is still a loop and has the figure 8 pattern to help you steer away from noise. However, since your noise seems to permeate your environment, a directional antenna is not helping you. I'm not sure abt the "29151 trick". Have you taken the radio outside and walked around the yard. Might be good to confirm the noise is not coming from a nearby power pole. With that knowledge, you at leat have narrowed the noise source.

Keep us posted.

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2004. Re: [de1103] Broadband hash/interference; antenna suggestions

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Date: 2008-12-10 19:06:10 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2000 Message: 2004

Hi Claudio. This sounds lie the unit may be defective. Either way, it should be classified as an unintentional radiator, and therefore there are strict limits on how much RF it can emit. I would see how far the noise can be heard outside your home.

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2005. Re: [de1103] Re: Broadband hash/interference; antenna suggestions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-10 19:11:10 UTC
From: Claudio Leite
Topic: 2000 Message: 2005

Hi Mark -

There is definitely some neighborhood noise, so if I take the radio outside there is still some noise. That's been there as long as I've had the radio. But the new noise goes away entirely when I switch off the breaker to the heater, so it's definitely coming from inside my house.

The 29151 trick (number might be wrong--recalled from memory) is the "extended range" trick found in the files section of the Yahoo group. It lets you tune down to 0khz and also turns off the internal loopstick for LW/MW and turns on the whip/external antenna on all frequencies. I've used it with a longwire in a quiet environment to listen to MW with good results, and it also works with the DE31 in MW mode better than by coupling it with the included ferrite coil.

Thanks for clarifying the design of the DE31. I'll also experiment with tuned passive loops. I imagine the pickup loop would itself pick up the noise since it is so strong that any length of wire picks up some of the heater noise when connected to the antenna jack.

Thanks for your response.
-Claudio

* aircheckclover (mdh@...) wrote:
> Claudio - Sorry to hear of the noise at your location. Sorry, I have
> no direct experience to help you but can answer that yes, the DE31 is
> a true loop. It is active not passive in that there are electronics
> used. But by design, it is still a loop and has the figure 8 pattern
> to help you steer away from noise. However, since your noise seems to
> permeate your environment, a directional antenna is not helping you.
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> and walked around the yard. Might be good to confirm the noise is not
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2006. Re: [de1103] Broadband hash/interference; antenna suggestions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-10 19:13:14 UTC
From: leon Heller
Topic: 2000 Message: 2006

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2007. Re: [de1103] Broadband hash/interference; antenna suggestions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-10 19:57:24 UTC
From: Claudio Leite
Topic: 2000 Message: 2007

I agree; I don't see how it got approved. It's radiating pretty far from the unit itself and is probably affecting my neighbors, too, but not at the same extreme level it's affecting me.

I also forgot to note earlier that it's also causing interference on my TV, but not on broadcast frequencies but rather on baseband component video signals.

I'm really hoping the heating problems I'm having with the unit are also an indication that something is defective. However, I found this site: http://homepages.udayton.edu/~zabarnss/RFI.html

plus a bunch of other discussions online about furnaces causing problems. It doesn't give me much hope about addressing it as an unintentional radiator if other units are having similar problems and getting approved nevertheless.

It does give me some hope that at least one person has gotten around a similar noise problem with toroids. Being a renter I doubt my landlord would agree to change the unit unless it's defective, but I could probably do some filtering myself.

I'll see what happens after the HVAC guy comes by to check on the heating problem, and demonstrate the noise problem as well. Maybe there is something the manufacturer provides that I could install.

Thanks to everyone for your input.

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2008. Re: Safe to take KA1103 to Cuba?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-12 20:38:04 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 1996 Message: 2008

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tom Holden VE3MEO"
<holden_family@...> wrote:
>
> Has anyone on the forum taken a KA/DE-1103 or other portable
shortwave
> radio to Cuba and had any problem with keeping it?
>

I'm back home with the KA1103 intact, no problem at airport security or customs - carry on bag not even inspected other than x-ray. Reception was great on the beach the one time I took it there but virtually impossible back in the room or on the balcony of the Hotel Playa Costa Verde, except for a handful of very strong stations. All the lighting is fluorescent after a recent national conversion program and probable additional sources are the air conditioning, keycard door entry and keycard master electrical switch that are controlled over a wired network.

Radio Marti or other offshore Spanish language station was by far the strongest SW signal, at times breaking through the RFI and also overwhelming the buzzsaw jammer. Couldn't get RCI except on the beach. Also on the beach 20m was pretty good - nice signal from a Swiss SSB - and some sigs on 15m. Also picked up a strong Canadian aeronautical weather station above 15MHz with weather for Victoria, Abbotsford and Comox, BC.

73, Tom

2009. Re: [de1103] Broadband hash/interference; antenna suggestions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-13 00:49:11 UTC
From: Claudio Leite
Topic: 2000 Message: 2009

Hello again,

My heat isn't yet fixed (and it's rather cold) but I think I may have at least brought the noise level down a bit. I had the furnace off for the past two nights and monitored the bands to see what conditions were like at this time of year. I bought the DX Engineering snap-on ferrite choke assortment pack (around $40) a few days back and it arrived today. I put them quite haphazardly on the "trunk" AC line, the outdoors AC line from the breaker to the unit and two on each thermostat line. The noise is noticeably weaker as far as I can tell. It only peaks up once you get near the indoor units, and I might be able to help that further by placing some of the chokes on the indoor end of the thermostat lines and by more carefully placing the chokes in general. But that's a project for another day, after the heat is back on.

Looks like all hope is not lost! I'll have to test it a bit further but this is a good development.

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2010. Re: Broadband hash/interference; antenna suggestions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-13 03:30:26 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 2000 Message: 2010

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Good luck with your ferrite adventure...

Tom

2011. Re: [de1103] Re: Broadband hash/interference; antenna suggestions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-13 05:06:10 UTC
From: Claudio Leite
Topic: 2000 Message: 2011

Hi,

I'm not going to deny that ferrites seem like an all-too-easy solution, but if it gave me some positive result, I'll take it.

Some folks on eHam also reported success with correctly-placed ferrites. They were different types of units, though. But they were "high-efficiency" models that seem to share some characteristics with my unit.

You are probably right about #1 and #3. I don't think I'll ever get rid of the noise when close to the units. The control wiring is correct; I triple-checked it against the manual and re-did all the connections just in case. If only the control wires radiate and don't cause the AC wire to radiate I'm OK, since they are both at one end of the house. I can just move away from that side.

I'm not too strong on theory (yet) but it seems to be working, so I'm (cautiously) pleased.

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2012. Re: [de1103] Broadband hash/interference; antenna suggestions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-13 20:59:09 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 2000 Message: 2012

Dear 1103 Users:

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Any suggestions folks?

73,

Gordon Cooper
Bremerton, WA
KE7RYM

2013. Re: [de1103] Broadband hash/interference; antenna suggestions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-15 07:51:53 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2000 Message: 2013

Hi Gordon. I have only seen a pic of your computer. I am not an apple fan. Is the base plastic or metal? If its plastic, that could be part of the problem. Does it have an external power supply?

From the looks of the computer, the only option may be to wrap it in foil and ground the foil.

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2014. Re: [de1103] Broadband hash/interference; antenna suggestions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-15 15:42:01 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 2000 Message: 2014

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2015. Re: Broadband hash/interference; antenna suggestions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-15 19:56:31 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 2000 Message: 2015

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2016. Re: [de1103] Broadband hash/interference; antenna suggestions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-15 20:32:13 UTC
From: Claudio Leite
Topic: 2000 Message: 2016

Hi Gordon,

The only major thing I can think of would be a bad power supply. My experience has been that hard drives and other components only cause interference within a small radius. I'm guessing since it's a G4 iMac that it's one of the lamp-like LCD models? I do think you can buy replacement power supplies (eBay, iFixIt.com) but I don't know how you could trace/confirm the problem before buying a replacement.

Then again, if another radio is OK, it might be the DE1103's shielding. The guys at radioscanner.ru have instructions on how to better shield the DE1103. Unfortunately, they are in Russian. I might try that sometime if I trust a machine translation of it. The translation was very rough but I think they said it was a worthwhile improvement. Obviously you'd need to do a cost-benefit analysis on that.

I personally use(d) CocoaModem with my MacBook Pro with good results but I use a 1:1 audio transformer and move the radio away from the computer. Placing the transformer closer to the computer than to the radio seems to help. It also helps to use a wire or other antenna instead of the whip, even in the same part of the room. I suppose the SignaLink shouldn't need these workarounds but at least my DE1103 seems to use a cable plugged into line-out as an antenna unless there is something in the external antenna jack.

Hope this helps.
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2017. Re: [de1103] Re: Broadband hash/interference; antenna suggestions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-16 20:10:49 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 2000 Message: 2017

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2018. Re: Broadband hash/interference; antenna suggestions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-18 03:23:26 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 2000 Message: 2018

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Tough situation, Gord. If at all possible, get even a tiny antenna
(as long as the 1103 whip) out the window. Can you dangle a wire from
the window? Feeding it with shielded co-ax is required but the
connection to the antenna is problematic if you don't have access to
a good ground point. You could make a really short dipole and feed it
via a balun (1:9 or higher is better) - sounds like TV rabbit ears!

Adding a common-mode choke on the co-ax close to the cable exit would
also be advisable to help suppress propagation of interior noise

sources up the shield onto the antenna.

Have you looked at the PA0RDT Mini-Whip? Could that be mounted outside?

The Audio System Ground Loop Isolator is probably a transformer but may have significant capacitive coupling across it at RF. Try adding some ferrite chokes on these lines close to the source. Glad to hear your confirmation that it has helped.

Sounds like you are on the right track with the computer.

As you reduce one cause, you'll hit a limit that's due to another. It will take many small steps and you'll come up against the law of diminishing returns.

Good luck!

Tom

2019. Re: [de1103] Re: Broadband hash/interference; antenna suggestions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-19 02:12:05 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 2000 Message: 2019

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> > hooked to it as an antenna, or at least a noise source.
> >
> > Sticking the Audio System Ground Loop Isolator removes some of the
> > static, but not all of it.
> >
> >
> > My iMac has a dead lcd monitory, so I am using an external lcd
> monitor.
> >
> > My plan is to replace the iMac with a Linux box as soon as
> practical,
> > and build the box to have as little rf as possible.
> >
> > Some of my electronics are very noisy. The switching power supply
> for my
> > previous cell phone screamed like a banshee across the whole hf
> > spectrum. I've turned off all of the breakers and there still is rf
> > noise in the apartment, much of it from the junction box that is
> outside
> > my kitchen. I called in a complaint to the power company, so they
> sent
> > out a technician who looked at the box for about twenty seconds,
> > returned to the company van, and left.
> >
> > 73,
> >
> > Gordon Cooper
> > KE7RYM
> >
> Tough situation, Gord. If at all possible, get even a tiny antenna
> (as long as the 1103 whip) out the window. Can you dangle a wire from
> the window? Feeding it with shielded co-ax is required but the
> connection to the antenna is problematic if you don't have access to
> a good ground point. You could make a really short dipole and feed it
> via a balun (1:9 or higher is better) - sounds like TV rabbit ears!

>
> Adding a common-mode choke on the co-ax close to the cable exit would
> also be advisable to help suppress propagation of interior noise
> sources up the shield onto the antenna.
>
> Have you looked at the PA0RDT Mini-Whip? Could that be mounted
> outside?
>
> The Audio System Ground Loop Isolator is probably a transformer but
> may have significant capacitive coupling across it at RF. Try adding
> some ferrite chokes on these lines close to the source. Glad to hear
> your confirmation that it has helped.
>
> Sounds like you are on the right track with the computer.
>
> As you reduce one cause, you'll hit a limit that's due to another. It
> will take many small steps and you'll come up against the law of
> diminishing returns.
>
> Good luck!
>

Dear Tom:

I can probably thread a very small insulated wire out the 2nd story
window. As for a ground, the Puget Sound is my back yard, and I could
run another wire to that with no problem if that would improve the signal.

All I need is a relatively clean receiver that will output an audio
signal that can be decoded- PSK31, TTY, Hell, etc. via my computer.
Short wave listening is also a lot of fun on this coast-The Australian
news intended for Papua, N.G. is in pidgin English in the early morning
hours, a listening experience which is a lot like a visit to 1960's
California without the chemical accessories.

73,

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM

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2020. Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-22 19:11:25 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 2020 Message: 2020

Universal Radio now showing it as a future item ("early 2009") and also listed in Passport to Worldband Radio. Main new feature: Sync AM... Interesting.

http://universal-radio.com/catalog/portable/4033.html

Tom

2021. Re: [de1103] Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-22 21:13:03 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 2020 Message: 2021

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I wonder if this will be available from China?

73 for the holidays,

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM

2022. Re: [de1103] Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-23 07:19:26 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 2020 Message: 2022

Also as a side OT, has anyone seen the new grundig g6 aviator? Kinda like a miniturized g5 w/aviation band/ssb, but no dedicated lsb/usb switch and only one bandwidth.

On Dec 22, 2008, at 3:13 PM, Gordon Cooper wrote:

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2023. Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-23 21:08:04 UTC
From: Tom Welch
Topic: 2020 Message: 2023

Ham Radio Outlet was selling the G5 for $99.
Of course, they're sold out!

Tom Welch
Mesa, AZ USA

2024. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-24 01:14:11 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2020 Message: 2024

Hi Tom. A lot of places have been sold out of the G5 for a while now. Seem to be plenty of KA1103s available though. I like the memory system better on the KA1103, except for the "hidden"memories. I find myseld using my KA1103 more than I use the G5. I did open up my KA1103 (purchased in September), and it does have protection diodes. It does not have the modified board, they are just soldered in between the antenna connection and chassis ground.

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2025. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-24 01:59:54 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 2020 Message: 2025

On Dec 23, 2008, at 7:14 PM, martin wrote:

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> better on the KA1103, except for the "hidden"memories. I find myseld
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Thought I'd ask again if anyone here has tried out the grundig g6 and
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2026. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-24 13:13:03 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2020 Message: 2026

Hi Pete. Have you checked the reviews at eHam.net? I have only seen
pics of the G6.

TTYL

Pete Nalda wrote:

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2027. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-24 13:35:17 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 2020 Message: 2027

Yeah I read the reviews. Mixed. But alas since my 1103 got sold 2 months ago because of the dreaded blown FET so being out of warrenty, and deaf I sold it. So, I got the g6 as an early xmas gift and really, it has quirks but is a fun fun little radio. Some people think it's too sensitive and thus overloads but I just don't put a long wire on mine. Now I've never seen an 1102 but I'd bet the g6 is at least that small. It's about the size of the old Sangean 606. SSB is off or on, you have to tune to get lsb/usb. Audio has a tiny bit less bass than the 1103. Its' memory scheme is very much like the g5. you get 99 pages of 7 memories each.

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2028. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-24 13:44:30 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2020 Message: 2028

A small correction here. Just did some checking... my KA1103 was
purchased in mid October, not mid September.

TTYL

martin wrote:
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2029. G6

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-24 13:56:01 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2020 Message: 2029

Hi Pete. I bought one that had the FEt blown, and replaced the FET. I also added some diodes for static protection. I sold it to a friend, who really likes it (I got the radio with this friend in mind). Replacing the FET is not something I would recommend unless you have some electronic repair experience. Glad you are having fun with the G6. That you are satisfied with it is the only thing that really matters.

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TTYL

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2030. Re: [de1103] G6

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-24 14:40:36 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 2020 Message: 2030

On Dec 24, 2008, at 7:56 AM, martin wrote:

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> FET. I
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Yeah about the FET, I'm not even really sure, just suspected it and
didn't have the means to replace it, being legally blind and not able
to solder w/o burning my nose (part of that being not having the right
magnification equipment). That's the reason I sold the radio
(pawnshop didn't care, it looked like new and worked on am/fm, and for
some reason a lot of SW worked on mine, it was just deaf on certain
frequencies. Couldn't hear anything on 41m for example. And
selectivity seemed to be off everywhere.

That said, I also couldn't get around the volume ergonomics when
trying to use the radio walking around. So when I noticed the
reception problems off it went. I had been holding out for a g5 when
one day saw the g6 @ RS and then came home and read about it. I asked
santa for one and got it. I've have fun with it. I don't know if
kaito/degen had anything to do with the build but it reminds me very
much of the g5. just less controls and small. And definitely a one
handed operational walk around radio too. Only trick being reaching
the hold button with the thumb. I think if you go in knowing you just
want it for the big catches off the whip on sw, you wouldn't walk away
dissappointed. I took a chance on that and was pleasantly suprised.
Maybe not quite as sensitive as the degen/kaitos (1102,1103), but
still pretty good.
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2031. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-24 17:10:26 UTC
From: Bill Planck
Topic: 2020 Message: 2031
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2032. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-24 17:32:23 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2020 Message: 2032

Hi Bill. You might be surprised what you can hear. If you don't like
portable shortwave radios, you might be in the wrong group, as this
group is about the Degen De1103, and Kaito KA1103 portable shortwave radios.

TTYL

Bill Planck wrote:
> What the heck does anyone need a shortwave portable for anyway? What can you
> hear on shortwave with a portable?
>
> Bill
>

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2033. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-24 17:49:54 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 2020 Message: 2033

RHC, CRI, VOR, Hams, utilities, to name a few, can all come in pretty
good on a portable. Not everyone has the money or space for a
desktop, and some want a radio to carry a part of their hobby with them.

On Dec 24, 2008, at 11:10 AM, Bill Planck wrote:

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> can you hear on shortwave with a portable?
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2034. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-24 18:02:42 UTC
From: Bill Planck
Topic: 2020 Message: 2034
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2035. Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-24 20:09:55 UTC
From: ke8wo2001
Topic: 2020 Message: 2035

Regarding the G6 ... I have had and used one now for a few months.

I also have an Eton E1XM, Sony 7600G, Degen 1103 and Kaito 1102.

In terms of SW sensitivity, I would place the G6 at the end of the above list. Also many AM BCB images show up here and there on the SW bands. Adding even a short external antenna results is lots of overloading. FM performance is pretty good good in sensitivity and selectivity (better than my 7600G) and nice sounds via headphones. AM BCB seems ok, but mine seems less sensitive below about 800 KHZ. There also seems to be an attenuator that kicks in below 2000 KHZ such that the 160 meter ham band is not picked up well. It will receive sideband signals just fine, but the fine tuning is too slow and the fine tuning is not remembered in either a memory or even if you tune away from a specific frequency. The aircraft band is full of FM images such that it is not too useful for me. I've noticed that my tuning dial tends to jump forward or backward an extra step or two sometimes ... if this worsens I may need to turn it in under warranty.

That's the bad ... the good is that the G6 is very small .. a little smaller than the 1102 ... shirt pocket size. It has most of the functionality of the E5/G5 in terms of memories, tuning methods, alarms, etc. The display is very nice with an attractive amber backlight. The buttons are tiny, but useable. COnstuction quality seems solid. The radio is fun to use. The audio sounds fine for such a small speaker. Battery life seems reasonable.

So overall, it's a nice radio, with OK performance and fun to use. But not on the par of other small radios regarding sheer receiving capabilities. It works fine for most casual listening situations. I think it is over-priced at $100. I believe Radio Shack now has it on sale for $80 now which is more in line with it's competitors.

Hope that helps.
KE8WO

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Pete Nalda <lpnalda@...> wrote:
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2036. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-24 23:31:37 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2020 Message: 2036

Hi Bill. Are you calling Hams communists? For some other stations, try BBC, Radio Tiawan, Radio Australia, Radio Canada, Radio New Zealand for a few broadcasters. Then there are WWV and CHU, and many ship to shore stations, military ship, shore, and aircraft and ground stations etc...

BTW, none of these are communists, or religious broadcasters...

Do I perhaps smell a troll here?

Bill Planck wrote:

> I don't want to listen to communists or religious stations. Why would
> anyone?
>
> Bill
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2037. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-24 23:47:02 UTC
From: MWBRYANT@aol.com
Topic: 2020 Message: 2037

In a message dated 12/24/2008 12:10:57 P.M. Eastern Standard Time,
bill.k9kz@... writes:

What the heck does anyone need a shortwave portable for anyway? What can you
hear on shortwave with a portable?

Bill

What can one hear only with a desktop that makes the hobby exciting to you,
Bill? And please make sure to tell us which desktop we need to get!

Mike
Louisville, KY
**********One site keeps you connected to all your email: AOL Mail,
Gmail, and Yahoo Mail. Try it now.
(http://www.aol.com/?optin=new-dp&icid=aolcom40vanity&ncid=emlcntaolcom00000025)

2038. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-24 23:49:13 UTC
From: MWBRYANT@aol.com
Topic: 2020 Message: 2038

Bill Writes:

What the heck does anyone need a shortwave portable for anyway? What can you hear on shortwave with a portable?

Bill

And don't forget to tell all of us how many different radios you've tested out over the last decade.....

Mike
Louisville, KY
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2039. Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-25 01:17:34 UTC
From: ian.campbell99
Topic: 2020 Message: 2039

Even if you don't use the shortwave the Degen is still an excellent AM/FM radio with the ability to pick up long range signals. I seldom use shortwave but I really like the FM performance of the Degen. It is also very handy to be able to easily carry it from room to room which I often do. I find it a pleasure to use such a good set even if I don't use all of its capabilities.

Ian

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Bill Planck" <bill.k9kz@...> wrote:
>
> On Wed, Dec 24, 2008 at 12:49 PM, Pete Nalda <lpnalda@...> wrote:
>
> > RHC, CRI, VOR, Hams, utilities, to name a few, can all come in pretty
> > good on a portable. Not everyone has the money or space for a desktop, and
> > some want a radio to carry a part of their hobby with them.
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> I don't want to listen to communists or religious stations. Why would
> anyone?
>
> Bill
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2040. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-25 06:30:31 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 2020 Message: 2040

Hi, just wanted to let you know, got a tip last night about using an external wire with the g6. you can use a longer wire just don't hang it high. Keep it low to the ground. Even though I live in a second story apartment the performance with the wire is way better running along the floor. I think if something ever comes up and I find more annoyances with the g6, I'll investigate the e/g5 if I can still find one or wait for the g3. I still like the size and ergonomics of the g6 though.

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Pete Nalda
http://www.myspace.com/musikonalda

2041. Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-26 00:41:01 UTC
From: Theo
Topic: 2020 Message: 2041

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Bill Planck" <bill.k9kz@...> wrote:
>
> What the heck does anyone need a shortwave portable for anyway? What can you
> hear on shortwave with a portable?
>
> Bill
>

Er... (in Metro Vancouver), CFRX/6070 (before CVC/LaVoz takes over)... Marfil stereo/5910... Mali/5995... R. Santa Cruz/Bolivia/~6135... R. Victoria/Peru/~6020 (battling with CRI!)... R. Tanzania/Zanzibar/11735... R. Brasil Central/4985... Urumqi/Xinjiang/China/4980...

Now, they're not gonna be "armchair quality" but that's what DXing is all about.

Gotta go carve The Bird.

Merry Christmas.

2042. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-26 12:56:33 UTC
From: Bill Planck
Topic: 2020 Message: 2042
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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2043. Aerial Adaptor.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-26 13:44:33 UTC
From: bobyorston
Topic: 2043 Message: 2043

All this time I've been quite happily using my DE1103 - listening, testing and so on - it just finally occurred to me - it's a lot more useful with an aerial adaptor - from a 3.5mm Mono Phono Plug to a Female BNC Socket! Couldn't buy one anywhere - finished up carefully grinding down the screwed metal part of a 3.5mm Mono Plug, and slightly drilling out the cable-securing cap on the BNC Female Socket (Cable, not Chassis-Mounting) - soldered the two together. Now I can easily plug my DE1103 into any test equipment or external antenna. Now this would have been a nice item to have found in the box with the radio!
Bob VK2CAN.

2044. (no subject)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-26 14:30:13 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 2044 Message: 2044

The SDR web receiver has an improved version at the same URL:
http://websdr.ewi.utwente.nl:8901/

They have added LF plus other ham bands.

News 24 December:
Our normal WebSDR, offering access to 48 kHz wide segments of the 80, 40 and 20 meter bands, has been temporarily replaced by a more advanced setup that offers a total bandwidth of 1.2 MHz, spread over 6 bands.

In contrast to the normal setup, this one does not use soundcards and quadrature mixers, but a fast analog to digital converter that digitizes the entire shortwave spectrum, followed by digital mixing and filtering in an FPGA. More information, including pictures, can be found on PA3FWM's Software Defined Radio page.

Some remarks:
This setup is temporary: in a few days, we'll go back to the old setup.
The reason for this is very simple: the board with the ADC and FPGA is my only board of this type, and I want to use it for other experiments too...
If it all works well, I do intend to build another one for the WebSDR, but that will take time and money.
If your internet connection is not very fast, you may want to activate the "almost freeze all but one" option in "waterfall settings".
The increased bandwidth makes tuning more difficult, especially on the 300 kHz wide 80m and 20m bands.
In future some kind of zoom in / zoom out facility will be needed, to utilize the even wider bands that the hardware supports (up to 1.2 MHz each).
There is no amplifier between the antenna and the A/D converter. As a consequence, the sensitivity is not good (the noise figure is about 30 dB), which may be problematic especially on 20m (where the atmosferic noise level is lower, and our antenna is not resonant and thus less efficient).

Horacio Nigro

Montevideo

Uruguay

2045. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-26 15:54:51 UTC
From: MWBRYANT@aol.com
Topic: 2020 Message: 2045

In a message dated 12/26/2008 7:56:45 A.M. Eastern Standard Time, bill.k9kz@... writes:

Are not "RHC, CRI, VOR" that were mentioned Communist?

Bill

Nope. Russia stopped being Communist in 1991. Maybe if you listened to the Voice of Russia, you'd know that. Lots of religious history programs now on VoR. Back in the commie days it was called Radio Moscow.

Bill, I've followed your posts on RRS for enough years to know that you've tried maybe dozens of portables looking for one that you really liked the most.

So, why are you trolling in this group?

The DE1103/E5 radios are really very impressive. If you can't abide by that thought, if you must denigrate people with portables, or if you really believe most SW is devoid of meaningful content, I ask again: Why are you here in this group?

I think we'd love to have you in here. Your experience with multiple radios is obvious from looking your RRS posts up in the Google archive. But, we don't really need a troll.

Merry Christmas,

Mike
Right down the road in Louisville
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2046. Re: Aerial Adaptor.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-26 16:30:21 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 2043 Message: 2046

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "bobyorston" <bobyorston@...> wrote:
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> testing and so on - it just finally occurred to me - it's a lot more
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> plug my DE1103 into any test equipment or external antenna. Now this
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I'd recommend a length of miniature, flexible co-ax between the BNC
female and the 3.5mm plug to minimise strain on the antenna jack.

Tom

2047. Re: [de1103] Re: Aerial Adaptor.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-27 14:39:39 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2043 Message: 2047

Hi Guys. I use an SO-239 (femail to the PL-259) to male RCA adapter aling with a female to female RCA coupler, and a sound card cable (1/8 inch stereo phone plug to 2 RCA males) to connect coax fed antennas to my KA1103 in the shack. This is a lot of adapters, but there is no strain on the antenna connector, and it works. To connect the MapTenna that I use in the bedroom, I use another sound card cable and a clip lead. The clip lead is connected to the wire lead from the antenna, and to the center of the male RCA plug that connects to the tip of the 1/8 stereo phone plug.

If you can find a BNC female to RCA male, you could use something similar to the above. I don't believe that the 1/8 inch connector used for the external antenna connection is meant to take much strain. Tom has a good point there. I have an RCA female to 1/8 male phone plug (mono) adapter that I could use with the SO239 to RCA male adapter, but thats too much weight (in my opinion) hanging on the external antenna jack.

At one point, a local dollar store was selling the sound card cables for $1.00...I should have gotten several, but I only got one to try them out. When I went back a week later, they were sold out, and I have not seen them there since.

Propagation has seemed to be better here in the Midwest U.S. since Christmas eve...hopefully we are past the poor propagation of the last few weeks!

I hope that everyone had a Merry Christmas, and wish everyone a Happy New Year!

Tom Holden VE3MEO wrote:
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> female and the 3.5mm plug to minimise strain on the antenna jack.
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> Tom
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CUL8R

KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell

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http://www.defectivebydesign.org/what_is_drm"

2048. Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-27 20:28:41 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 2020 Message: 2048

I think scrapbooking is pointless, so I'm going to join one of their groups and give those people a piece of my mind. :P

Nelson

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Bill Planck" <bill.k9kz@...> wrote:
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> What the heck does anyone need a shortwave portable for anyway? What can you
> hear on shortwave with a portable?
>
> Bill
>

2049. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-27 22:39:46 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 2020 Message: 2049

On Dec 27, 2008, at 2:28 PM, Nelson wrote:

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> groups and give those people a piece of my mind. :P
>
> Nelson

What's scrapbooking and who's groups? I got lost somewhere.

But, also, thought I'd add some more info here about the g6 if anyone wanted. It turns out that according to Passport it is in fact made by degen. That could explain why the paging system is similar to the g5, and the fact that it too can recharge batteries if you get the rechargeables. I'm still happy with mine and have found that yeah it does overload on the wire but if the wire is lowered it helps to prevent it some.

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2050. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-28 15:59:31 UTC
From: Bill Planck
Topic: 2020 Message: 2050
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2051. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-28 16:19:43 UTC
From: MWBRYANT@aol.com
Topic: 2020 Message: 2051

In a message dated 12/28/2008 10:59:48 A.M. Eastern Standard Time, bill.k9kz@... writes:

Who died and made you dictator of this group?

1. Other group members have articulated the same feelings.
2. Who died and made you the group's troll?
3. You've now admitted that you were wrong by dropping the substantive points, i.e., that VoR is not communist and that since this the DE1103 Group, complaints about SW Radio, in general, have no place in this group, thereby making you a troll.

Look, Bill, I don't know what's wrong with you. I do know that in the many years I've witnessed your presence in RRS you were generally well-mannered and were constantly selling, swapping and buying radios in your search for the one best radio. During that time I know you owned several portables.

If you'd like to share some of your vast experience with us, that would be great! If you want to sit up there in Indiana and throw rocks at us by telling us how meaningless SW radio is, I personally will choose to block you. This is my last communication on this topic. I sincerely hope you choose to be relevant.

WWJD?

Mike,
Louisville, KY

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2052. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-28 16:52:22 UTC
From: Bill Planck
Topic: 2020 Message: 2052
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2053. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-28 17:40:04 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 2020 Message: 2053

On Dec 28, 2008, at 10:52 AM, Bill Planck wrote:

> My original question was aimed at using portables for SWLing. 20
> years ago a portable SWR was indeed a pleasure to use as there were
> hundreds of stations to listen to, easily. Now when I scan the bands
> with my 1103, almost nothing. I live in a town home and use only the
> whip antenna or an indoor wire. I hear almost nothing on SW. Even
> the hams are disappearing on HF. Almost nothing compared to 20 years
> ago. Even hams came booming in when the bands were really bad. So
> how was my question 'trolling'? Again I ask,
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> "What can you hear on shortwave with a portable?"
>
> What do you folks listen to using only the whip antenna? Or do most
> of you use outdoor antennas with your portables?

Ok, see I kind of knew all along this was the angle you were going for. And yes you're right about the pickin's being slimmer than years ago. But in a way, for me, it's part of the challenge, especially on a portable. It makes one appreciate the hobby a bit more if you have to work at it to find something. I tried a drake r7b once and it was almost too easy. Yes stations were coming in left and right, but it wasn't as challenging. Also with a portable since I'm visually impaired I don't have to be slumped over a desk to enjoy my hobby. Another example, just the other day, I was poking around the bands trying to find something to listen too, and alas tuned Radio Canada on 11805 which I'd though had ceased SW. It was week but was there. As for the whip/external question I use a whip most of the time but sometimes an indoor wire. I live in an area where there is considerable electrical qrm (here in Austin tx) and using the whip cuts down on it some.
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2054. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5? Bill

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-28 19:53:37 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2054 Message: 2054

Hello Bill

Now that you've added some more detail to your original comment you raise a good point. Location has a lot to do with quality of reception. As you have to rely on using an indoor antenna, you may even hear more just using the whip outdoors. This would definitely be the case if you are plagued with the many different types of electronic noise we have to put up with.

I returned to shortwave after a break of about 10 years, you are right, there are fewer stations to listen to. For me, the Voice of America, BBC World Service were common. Now, they seem to be more of an exotic catch now that they are using alternative methods of distributing their programming. The same has happened with other broadcasters as well with an increased reliance on the internet or local relays.

One of the first things that I noticed was an apparent increase in the number of Chinese stations on air. A conclusion that I have reached is that it is not the number that has increased but the number of broadcasters that are not using shortwave has given the impression that the number of Chinese stations has increased. The only growth I've noticed is in the increase of religious broadcasters.

I feel that by increasing reliance on the internet and local relays, broadcasters have left themselves open to an increased possibility of political interference. The task of a government to stop information contrary to their beliefs has now been made a lot easier. All a government needs to do is to throw the switch and the information flow ceases. With shortwave, signal propagation made the task of jamming dissenting broadcasters a lot more difficult and, it was less effective because in parts of a country, some signal did get through. You can read the steps the Soviets took here http://www.okupatsioon.ee/english/mailbox/radio/radio.html

Personally, I feel the practice of abandoning shortwave for internet and local coverage is a mistake because both media are too fragile and easily interfered with. Who knows, if the world's political climate changes and broadcasters find they are not getting their message through we might see a resurgence of international broadcasting on shortwave.

At the moment, what would be compounding the apparent lack of activity on shortwave would be the lull in solar activity, we are currently in what appears to be a prolonged period of solar inactivity. You will find a lot of material here: http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/Education/index.html As you no doubt are aware, the sun plays a vital role in signal propagation.

Another thing which may be contributing to a perceived lack of activity on shortwave is improved performance of the likes of the Degen/Kaito Red Sun etc over the portables that were available 20 or so years ago when aside from specialist high priced portables, the best that we could hope for were single conversion portables with their inherent poor image rejection which meant that you could hear the same station either 910 kHz above or below the station's actual frequency. The images would have given the impression of more activity.

It wasn't so long ago that international broadcasters were calling out for more spectrum space because of over crowding. The inception of the 22 metre band (13 MHz) was the product of a prolonged effort to combat over crowding that was occurring at that time.

Your observations are correct, there has been a decrease in the number of stations using shortwave, about all we can do is to make it so we can hear what is still available better by using the best gear we can. The likes of the Degen, Red Sun are certainly a step in the right direction.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: Bill Planck
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, December 29, 2008 5:52 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

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Bill

2055. Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-29 00:25:17 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 2020 Message: 2055

I was responding to the troll, Pete. Just making a point with sarcasm. ;-)

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Pete Nalda <lpnalda@...> wrote:
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2056. Redsun RP-2100 and Tecsun PL600

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-30 12:24:15 UTC
From: bobyorston
Topic: 2056 Message: 2056

Now that all the bickering and misunderstanding about the Grundig G3 has been sorted out, I have noticed several comments in regard to Redsun RP-2100 and Tecsun PL600. I have not tried either of these, as just reading the specs puts me off! I am in a country which uses 9kHz spacing, and both these radios are supposed to stop at 1620kHz when set to 9kHz spacing. Where I am, there are 6 low-power stations between 1620 and 1710kHz! Also, I notice the Redsun starts at 522kHz - 100kHz would be much nicer!
Bob VK2CAN.

2057. Re: [de1103] Redsun RP-2100 and Tecsun PL600

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-30 15:30:38 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 2056 Message: 2057

bobyorston wrote:
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> Redsun RP-2100 and Tecsun PL600. I have not tried either of these, as
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> 1620 and 1710kHz! Also, I notice the Redsun starts at 522kHz - 100kHz
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Bob, you can tune the RP2100 in steps of 1 KHz. Set the switch at 10 KHz spacing, tune in "slow"mode, and you can tune all of the stations on the top end.

I have a 2100 and a DE1103. I intend to buy a PL600 and do a head to head performance test as time allows.

While the DE1103 does tune down to 100 KHz, there is so much leakage from am broadcast stations that I can only hear two or three cw beacons. I am investing in an LF converter with filters to see if that helps. Given the presence of a submarine base next door, there should be more than three Morse beacons here!

73,

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM

2058. Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-30 23:26:14 UTC
From: aircheckclover
Topic: 2020 Message: 2058

Bill, I too misunderstood your question first time around. Glad you restated it.

I've gotten back into radio these last 2 years after a 30 year absence. My how things change! But it's still fun. Just different. Certainly the radios have gotten so much neater. The 1103 is an example.

That said, I was disappointed at first hearing such little ham activity. But adding an active indoor loop changed that. Then I put up an end-fed outdoors just before snow fell. It does better than the indoor loop. And the loop does better than any whip on any portable. With the 1103 connected to the end-fed, I can almost always hear something interesting on SW or ham. Given sunspots are still at a minimum, it will get even better.

My conclusion: given low sunspot activity and reduced number of strong English signals beaming to North America, a good antenna does matter. And the hams are still active. Maybe down 30% to 40% from my last listen in 1976, but there's still plenty of QSO's going on.

Do you rely solely on the radios whip? And if there is a lot of noise around you, have you considered a loop?

Mark

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> Bill
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2059. Trouble with new KA1130

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-30 23:31:49 UTC
From: wd8ebz
Topic: 2059 Message: 2059

I've had this Kaito for several days now and I'm receiving MW broadcast stations on several of the SW bands. 41M is the worst, I hear them all across the band, and its not just local ones either.

Has anyone else seen this?

Thought I'd ask for advice here before calling the place I bought the receiver from.

2060. Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-31 02:35:06 UTC
From: Tomas Gonzalez
Topic: 2020 Message: 2060

Hello everybody
The most important question (for me)....Grundig G3 has or is going to
have RDS?
Thanks and happy new year at all!!!!
Sorry for my english.....

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "aircheckl0ver" <mdh@...> wrote:
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> > use outdoor antennas with your portables?
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> > Bill
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2061. Re: [de1103] Trouble with new KA1130

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-31 07:27:35 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2059 Message: 2061

Hi

I notice something similar with some of the locals especially those that are on the top end of the MW band. It is possible that some if not all the signals you are picking up are harmonics of the MW station. You can do a quick check http://allenk.home.infionline.net/harmonic.html 3186 kHz is an example being the second harmonic of one of the locals. I find though that if I connect an external antenna the harmonics disappear.

Perhaps this is happening with you too.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "wd8ebz" <wd8ebz@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2008 12:31 PM
Subject: [de1103] Trouble with new KA1130

> I've had this Kaito for several days now and I'm receiving MW
> broadcast stations on several of the SW bands. 41M is the worst, I
> hear them all across the band, and its not just local ones either.
>
> Has anyone else seen this?
>
> Thought I'd ask for advice here before calling the place I bought the
> receiver from.
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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2062. Re: [de1103] Trouble with new KA1130

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-31 09:10:05 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 2059 Message: 2062

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> that are
> on the top end of the MW band. It is possible that some if not all the
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> if I connect an external antenna the harmonics disappear.
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I have the same problem with my 1103, even with an external antenna. My
next plan is to use an antenna tuner and see if that helps.

73,

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM

2063. Re: Trouble with new KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-31 15:38:48 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 2059 Message: 2063

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Gordon Cooper <nwlorax@...> wrote:
>
> I have the same problem with my 1103, even with an external antenna. My
> next plan is to use an antenna tuner and see if that helps.
>

The harmonics and intermod products are generated internally due to overload of the RF preamp (in the case of the whip) and/or the mixer (in the case of the external antenna on older models which bypass the preamp when the antenna jack is plugged). An antenna tuner MAY help but a preselector would be better. This depends on the configuration of the tuner - a pi-network acts as a low pass filter so the MW signals will go right through. A T-network tuner with an L in the vertical branch would be better as it acts as a high-pass filter and can suppress MW signals. In prior messages, I described converting a MFJ-956 T-match to a very effective preselector which outperforms the tuner in suppressing off-frequency gangbusters.

Tom

2064. Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-31 15:51:05 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 2020 Message: 2064

I'm using the G5, and I'm amazed at all I pick up using only the telescoping antenna. There's no question that the pickings are much slimmer than years ago, but between changing technologies and the sunspot minimum I'm surprised I hear anything. Along with a decent number of foreign broadcast stations, 75-80 meters seems continually active throughout the day, with QSO's and nets going on at all hours of the day and night. There's quite a bit of activity on 160m at night that I can hear, which is surprising since that band is picked up on the internal ferrite antenna, and the gain is significantly lower than everything above 3MHZ.

Activity on the 75-80M band on weekends can be so busy that the problem comes from overlapping QSO's rather than a lack of something to listen to. I hear Hams up and down the east coast and out to the Midwest. International skip on 40M seemed to die with the end of summer.

Nelson

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "aircheckclover" <mdh@...> wrote:
>
> Bill, I too misunderstood your question first time around. Glad you
> restated it.
>
> I've gotten back into radio these last 2 years after a 30 year
> absence. My how things change! But it's still fun. Just different.
> Certainly the radios have gotten so much neater. The 1103 is an example.
>
> That said, I was disappointed at first hearing such little ham
> activity. But adding an active indoor loop changed that. Then I put up
> an end-fed outdoors just before snow fell. It does better than the
> indoor loop. And the loop does better than any whip on any portable.
> With the 1103 connected to the end-fed, I can almost always hear
> something interesting on SW or ham. Given sunspots are still at a
> minimum, it will get even better.
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> My conclusion: given low sunspot activity and reduced number of strong
> English signals beaming to North America, a good antenna does matter.
> And the hams are still active. Maybe down 30% to 40% from my last
> listen in 1976, but there's still plenty of QSO's going on.
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> Do you rely solely on the radios whip? And if there is a lot of noise
> around you, have you considered a loop?
>
> Mark
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Bill Planck" <bill.k9kz@> wrote:
> >
> > My original question was aimed at using portables for SWLing. 20
> years ago a
> > portable SWR was indeed a pleasure to use as there were hundreds of
> stations
> > to listen to, easily. Now when I scan the bands with my 1103, almost
> > nothing. I live in a town home and use only the whip antenna or an
> indoor
> > wire. I hear almost nothing on SW. Even the hams are disappearing
on HF.
> > Almost nothing compared to 20 years ago. Even hams came booming in
> when the
> > bands were really bad. So how was my question 'trolling'? Again I ask,
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> > "What can you hear on shortwave with a portable?"
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> of you
> > use outdoor antennas with your portables?
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> > Bill
> >
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2065. Re: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-31 17:56:32 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2020 Message: 2065

This example of the fallacy of using a means of other than shortwave was sent to Hard Core DX. (Credit to the original poster). It will be interesting to see if the broadcasters involved substitute these relays with shortwave.

Paul

Azerbaijan restricts foreign radio broadcasts
Published: Tuesday 30 December 2008 21:25 UTC
Last updated: Wednesday 31 December 2008 16:01 UTC
The government of Azerbaijan has terminated broadcast licences issued to foreign radio stations. As of 1 January, numerous broadcasters, including the BBC, Voice of America and Radio Free Europe, will no longer be allowed to broadcast on national frequencies.

Europe and the United States have severely criticised the decision and accused Azerbaijan of restricting press freedom. Baku says the new regulations are not politically motivated and points out that foreign radio stations will still be allowed to broadcast via cable and internet.

http://www.radionetherlands.nl/news/international/6116478/Azerbaijan-restricts-foreign-radio-broadcasts

----- Original Message -----
From: "Nelson" <greenbrier614@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2009 4:51 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

> I'm using the G5, and I'm amazed at all I pick up using only the
> telescoping antenna. There's no question that the pickings are much
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> active throughout the day, with QSO's and nets going on at all hours
> of the day and night. There's quite a bit of activity on 160m at night
> that I can hear, which is surprising since that band is picked up on
> the internal ferrite antenna, and the gain is significantly lower than
> everything above 3MHZ.
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> Activity on the 75-80M band on weekends can be so busy that the
> problem comes from overlapping QSO's rather than a lack of something
> to listen to. I hear Hams up and down the east coast and out to the
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>> around you, have you considered a loop?
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2066. Re: Grundig G3: successor to KA-DE1103/E5/G5?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-31 18:32:08 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 2020 Message: 2066

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tomas Gonzalez" <tomas112a@...> wrote:
>
> Hello everybody
> The most important question (for me)....Grundig G3 has or is going to
> have RDS?

According to the photo, yes!
http://universal-radio.com/catalog/portable/4033lrg.jpg

See the lables "RDS" and "RDS Mode" underneath the two buttons near the bottom right. They suggest that the functions of those buttons changes when the radio is set to the FM broadcast band to provide control over the RDS display rather than the product detector. Presumably, the frequency and/or time display will be replaced by RDS fields.

Tom

2067. Re: Trouble with new KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-31 20:26:37 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 2059 Message: 2067

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tom Holden VE3MEO" <holden_family@...>
wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Gordon Cooper <nwlorax@> wrote:
> >
> > I have the same problem with my 1103, even with an external antenna.
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> The harmonics and intermod products are generated internally due to
> overload of the RF preamp (in the case of the whip) and/or the mixer
> (in the case of the external antenna on older models which bypass the
> preamp when the antenna jack is plugged). An antenna tuner MAY help but
> a preselector would be better. This depends on the configuration of the
> tuner - a pi-network acts as a low pass filter so the MW signals will
> go right through. A T-network tuner with an L in the vertical branch
> would be better as it acts as a high-pass filter and can suppress MW
> signals. In prior messages, I described converting a MFJ-956 T-match to
> a very effective preselector which outperforms the tuner in suppressing
> off-frequency gangbusters.
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> Tom

Dear Tom:

What message was that? I could not find the MFJ-956 mentioned in any
earlier posts.

Can you recommend a good book on receiver antenna design, preselectors
and tuners? For that matter, what is the difference between an antenna
tuner and a preselector?

Thanks!

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM

2068. Re: Redsun RP-2100 and Tecsun PL600

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2008-12-31 21:43:07 UTC
From: Tom Welch
Topic: 2056 Message: 2068

Gordon:

I would love to hear your impressions of
the Tecsun PL 600 radio?

Tom Welch
Mesa, AZ USA

2069. Re: [de1103] Re: Redsun RP-2100 and Tecsun PL600

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-01 04:18:55 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 2056 Message: 2069

Tom Welch wrote:
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> Gordon:
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> I would love to hear your impressions of
> the Tecsun PL 600 radio?
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> Tom Welch
> Mesa, AZ USA
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That will need to wait a while. I've got a plate full of commitments before I get to the fun stuff in February. I plan a head to head test of the RP2100, DE1103, PL600, using whips and at least three different external antennas.

Gong hi fa choy!

Gordon
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2070. Re: Trouble with new KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-01 04:48:18 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 2059 Message: 2070

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Gordon Cooper" <nwlorax@...> wrote:
> [snip]
> > signals. In prior messages, I described converting a MFJ-956 T-
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> tuner and a preselector?
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> Thanks!
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> Gordon Cooper
> KE7RYM
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Sorry, Gordon, got my model numbers mixed up. It was the MFJ-901B and
the message #1966 http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/message/1966 .

The purpose of an antenna tuner is to transform an impedance of a
load to match the impednace of the transmission line so that the
Voltage Standing Wave Ratio on the transmission line is close to
unity, i.e., ideally there is no energy reflected back from the load
to the transmitter due to an impednace mismatch. This can be
accomplished in a variety of ways - hence there are tuners based on
Pi, Tee, L and Z matching networks and on transformers and
autotransformers. There will be incidental filtering effects that
differ among the various matching networks but filtering is not their
primary goal. Antenna tuners are primarily for transmitters so that
high VSWR does not cause voltage breakdown in the transmitter output
stage or in the transmission line, to keep transmission line losses
low and to maximise the power delivered to the radiator. These are of
little consequence to LF/MF/HF radio reception but are of greater

significance to VHF and higher reception and the wider bandwidth modes on these bands.

The purpose of a preselector is to allow only a selected range of frequencies to pass from the transmission line to the receiver input. Better receivers have an integrated preselector that is automaticaly or manually tuned. Its primary purpose is filtering, not impedance transformation although that may be integrated (e.g. a transformer whose higher impedance secondary is resonated by a capacitor as in the RS DX-394). Typical outboard preselectors will have either a series resonant LC network in series with transmission line or a parallel resonant LC network across the transmission line.

Check your local library for books by Joe Carr and by ARRL, particularly the ARRL Antenna Manual and the ARRL Handbook for Radio Communications. You will find numerous examples in the Shortwave-SWL-Antenna group http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Shortwave-SWL-Antenna/ . Bob Betts is a member of this and a preselector guru - see his site http://www.bobsamerica.com/swl .

Tom

2071. Re: [de1103] Re: Redsun RP-2100 and Tecsun PL600

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-01 06:00:03 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 2056 Message: 2071

Love Mine!! It is my second favorite radio behind the 1103. Very solid and picks up about as well as the 1103 as well.
----- Original Message -----
From: Gordon Cooper
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2008 11:18 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Redsun RP-2100 and Tecsun PL600

Tom Welch wrote:

Gordon:

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the Tecsun PL 600 radio?

Tom Welch
Mesa, AZ USA

2072. Re: [de1103] Re: Trouble with new KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-01 07:41:07 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 2059 Message: 2072

Tom Holden VE3MEO wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com <mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com>,
> "Gordon Cooper" <nwlorax@...> wrote:
> > [snip]
> > > signals. In prior messages, I described converting a MFJ-956 T-
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> > KE7RYM
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> the message #1966 http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/message/1966
> <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/message/1966> .
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> unity, i.e., ideally there is no energy reflected back from the load
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> http://www.bobsamerica.com/swl <http://www.bobsamerica.com/swl> .
>
> Tom
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> De

Dear Tom:

Wow. Thanks for such a concise explanation. However, if you are in a weak signal area, don't you want as much of the desired signal as possible to reach the detector, making impedance matching of antenna and receiver circuitry important?

The Bob Betts website is awe inspiring. If he can transform a Super Radio III into that amazing monster receiver, I wonder what sort of evil things he could do with an R390?

Tnx

Gordon Cooper
Bremerton, WA

2073. Re: Trouble with new KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-01 19:39:19 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 2059 Message: 2073

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Gordon Cooper <nwlorax@...> wrote:
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> Wow. Thanks for such a concise explanation. However, if you are in
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> weak signal area, don't you want as much of the desired signal as
> possible to reach the detector, making impedance matching of
antenna and
> receiver circuitry important?
>

What you want is for the atmospheric+galactic+local manmade noise picked up by the antenna to be just strong enough to swamp the receiver's own noise. A weak signal is only going to be audible/detectable if the ratio of its received power to the received noise power is above a threshold that depends on the type of signal. Collecting more of both the signal and noise with a bigger antenna won't change the ratio (ignoring the effect of changes in antenna pattern) and won't make the signal any more audible/detectable. In fact, collecting too much energy will overload a radio, generate internal interference and make the signal less audible/detectable. That's why the preselector helps - reducing the energy delivered to the first active stage from spectrum away from the desired signal.

It does not take a lot of antenna to meet either criteria so matching is not very important. Indeed the DE1103 overloads on its whip. If when you disconnect an antenna you do not notice a sizable change in the noise output from the radio when tuned away from stations, then matching may help, a better antenna will help, a preamplifier will help, or your radio needs to be fixed.

Tom

2074. Synchronous Detectors

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-05 21:22:55 UTC
From: bobyorston
Topic: 2074 Message: 2074

Has anyone any thoughts in regard to modifying the DE1103? The TA2057N seems to be used in it's normal (envelope detection) mode. Anyone got a suitable mod, or does one buy what sort of radio?
Bob, VK2CAN.

2075. Re: Synchronous Detectors

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-05 22:41:22 UTC
From: bobyorston
Topic: 2074 Message: 2075

-Just one further thought - if one pulled pin 2 of the TA2057N
permanently high, then pin 18, now the IF output, rather than detected
output, could be used to feed any synchronous detector chip.
Bob, VK2CAN.
-- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "bobyorston" <bobyorston@...> wrote:
>
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TA2057N
> seems to be used in it's normal (envelope detection) mode. Anyone got
a
> suitable mod, or does one buy what sort of radio?
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2076. Re: Synchronous Detectors

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-06 02:50:28 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 2074 Message: 2076

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "bobyorston" <bobyorston@...> wrote:
>
> Has anyone any thoughts in regard to modifying the DE1103? The
TA2057N
> seems to be used in it's normal (envelope detection) mode. Anyone got
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> suitable mod, or does one buy what sort of radio?
> Bob, VK2CAN.
>
Wait for the Grundig G3 or equivalent in Eton, Degen or other guise. It
probably shares a lot with the 1103.

Can the TA2057N be used as a synchronous detector? It's not evident in
the data sheet. I think the 1103 takes the IF output from the TA2057N
to go to its product detector, IC7 on the schematic (no p/n).
Otherwise, the TA2057N is the AM/FM demodulator.

Tom

2077. FS: Degen DE1103 - Mint

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-09 21:00:46 UTC
From: Tom Welch
Topic: 2077 Message: 2077

I've decided to focus on AM URL dxing
rather than shortwave, therefore, I'm
selling my two month old Degen DE1103
purchased from eBay seller Tquchina
for $50 USD, includes all original
accessories and USPS shipping for
the lower 48 states.

Tom Welch
Mesa, AZ USA
tw78216 at yahoo dot com

2078. Re: FS: Degen DE1103 - Mint

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-12 16:42:09 UTC
From: Tom Welch
Topic: 2077 Message: 2078

Radio has been sold.

2079. New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-12 17:55:32 UTC
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343 Message: 2079

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the de1103
group.

File : /antistatic.pdf
Uploaded by : kb0hae1 <kb0hae@...>
Description : DE/KA 1103 antistatic mod

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/antistatic.pdf

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/l/us/yahoo/groups/original/members/web/index.htmlfiles

Regards,

kb0hae1 <kb0hae@...>

2080. Re: [de1103] New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-12 18:01:31 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 343 Message: 2080

As you can see, I have uploaded a file of the procedure to install
static protection diodes to the DE/KA1193 radios. It is a PDf file with
instructions a picture and a diagram.

TTYL

de1103@yahoogroups.com wrote:
> Hello,
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> File : /antistatic.pdf
> Uploaded by : kb0hae1 <kb0hae@...>
> Description : DE/KA 1103 antistatic mod
>
> You can access this file at the URL:
> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/antistatic.pdf
>
> To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
> http://help.yahoo.com/l/us/yahoo/groups/original/members/web/index.htmlfiles
>
> Regards,
>
> kb0hae1 <kb0hae@...>
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KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell

A Satisfied Sidux Linux user! To get Sidux go to: www.sidux.com/index.html
"Protect your digital freedom and privacy, eliminate DRM, learn more at
http://www.defectivebydesign.org/what_is_drm"

2081. Re: New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-13 15:58:05 UTC
From: aircheck lover
Topic: 343 Message: 2081

Thanks Martin. Nice job.

Mark

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>
> You can access this file at the URL:
> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/antistatic.pdf
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> To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
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http://help.yahoo.com/l/us/yahoo/groups/original/members/web/index.htmlfiles
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> Regards,
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> kb0hae1 <kb0hae@...>
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2082. Re: [de1103] Re: New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-13 19:26:58 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 343 Message: 2082

Hi Mark. Thanks. Some folks in the E5G5 group were asking for more info on how to install the protections diodes. Just something I threw together in about an hour or so. If it can help a few people avoid the blown preamp FET problem, it is well worst my modest efforts. Replacing the preamp FET is not a job for beginners nor the inexperienced.

TTYL

aircheckclover wrote:
> Thanks Martin. Nice job.
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> Mark
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, de1103@yahoogroups.com wrote:
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>> Hello,
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>> This email message is a notification to let you know that
>> a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the de1103
>> group.
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>> File : /antistatic.pdf
>> Uploaded by : kb0hae1 <kb0hae@...>
>> Description : DE/KA 1103 antistatic mod
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>> You can access this file at the URL:
>> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/antistatic.pdf
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>> To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
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2083. Fwd: [shortwave-radio] Shortwave radio still packs an audible thrill (Reuters)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-15 00:58:02 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 2083 Message: 2083

Begin forwarded message:

> From: "Gary Kinsman" <gkinsman@...>
> Date: January 14, 2009 5:23:27 PM CST
> To: shortwave-radio@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [shortwave-radio] Shortwave radio still packs an audible
> thrill (Reuters)
> Reply-To: shortwave-radio@yahoogroups.com
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> http://tech.yahoo.com/news/nm/20090114/tc_nm/us_column_pluggedin_2
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Egun On, Lagunak! (Basque for G'day, Mates)
Pete Nalda
http://www.myspace.com/musikonalda

2084. i can't hear almost nothing!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-18 04:52:53 UTC
From: oldbrand_7
Topic: 2084 Message: 2084

hi! got a de1103 since few days..

i can't use it near my lcd monitor, cos i have a sound like THX advice in cinemas!

then even if i'm far from pc i can't hear almost nothing..no Mossad on 4270 or other freqs, few broadcasts, i just listen OMs in 7000-7100 or 3500-3800 (in italy), hardly and bad.

i tried place the ext.antenna in my terrace but it's worse! great static noise on all band, hardly got something, the telescopic antenna is better.

i haven't tried the radio outside my house yet, but these problems are very annoying!

i tried to switch off everything in my room...and nothing changes.

a friend told me to use a coaxial to connect a "real" external antenna, cos the bundle im using cross the wall to go outside.

i read houdred post in newsgroups forums eham etc.etc. and noone said anything abut these issues..

im waiting a icom R1500 (and a discone ant.), uniden bc72xltD and radioshack pro-90 cos i like v/uhf. i'd like hf too, but this way is a mess.

2085. Re: [de1103] i can't hear almost nothing!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-18 07:44:27 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2084 Message: 2085

Hi

Noise from a PC can travel quite a long way, the best thing you can do is to shut the PC down completely which includes disconnecting it from the mains. The monitor is only half of the noise source, the processor is another.

While on the subject of noise, video tape recorders can be a source, a satellite or cable TV set top box and the TV itself or light dimmers especially if you have any touch sensitive bedside lamps are other sources also a broadband modem.

One thing you can do is to go around your residence with the radio and see how many noise sources you can identify.

Sure you can make things some what better by using an outside antenna with screened cables and an earth, but the most effective solution is to pull the plug all noise sources.

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: "oldbrand_7" <orcassassina@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 18, 2009 5:52 PM
Subject: [de1103] i can't hear almost nothing!

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2086. Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-18 14:28:07 UTC
From: aircheckclover
Topic: 2084 Message: 2086

Dear OM; Sounds bad. Sorry to hear. Paul is correct to look for noise source - but first, why not take your radio outside and around your yard and block? Noise may come from electrical transformers down the street, from your PC, from your TV - who knows? Noise is very bad these days and now you must track down the source(s) of noise.

Best regards,

Mark in noisy Milwaukee

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2087. Re: [de1103] i can't hear almost nothing!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-18 18:26:47 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2084 Message: 2087

Hi. As Paul and Mark have told you, a lot of home electronics cause noise in the shortwave radio spectrum. Some of the plug in power supplies to various things can be bad for this too, as many these days are switching supplies, which can generate a LOT of noise. You also may get noise from other people's home electronics.

It sounds like the problem is not the radio, but the noisy environment you live in. I hope you can track down and eliminate the noise!
I had to get a bunch of snap-on ferrite chokes here. I have several on the CAT5 cable that goes from my router to my cable modem. I also had to replace the very noisy switching power supply to my router with a non-switching one. LCD monitors themselves do not usually radiate noise, but poor quality cables from the computer to the monitor (or other devices) might be a problem.

You might try going to a park, or someplace away from power lines and houses and see if that helps. I hope that we have given you a few ideas to try.

Good luck

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2088. Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-19 05:19:03 UTC
From: oldbrand_7
Topic: 2084 Message: 2088

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rome is not so cold but i'd like to use it in my room!

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ciao!

2089. Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-19 13:52:07 UTC
From: aircheckclover
Topic: 2084 Message: 2089

Good to hear. My SWL got better after I put 75 ft end-fed long wire outside. I use 9:1 balun and feed with coax. No more noise from inside but still noise from outside power lines. Yet much better SWL.

I am waiting for G3 also.

Good luck!

Mark

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> ciao!
>

2090. Re: [de1103] Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-19 16:18:39 UTC
From: JOHN GREUSEL
Topic: 2084 Message: 2090

Are there a lot of CFL (compact fluorescent) or tube type fluorescent fixtures in your home. I find many of these to be very noisy.
John Greusel

--- On Sun, 1/18/09, oldbrand_7 <orcassassina@...> wrote:
From: oldbrand_7 <orcassassina@...>
Subject: [de1103] Re: i can't hear almost nothing!
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, January 18, 2009, 11:19 PM

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2091. Re: [de1103] Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-19 18:29:57 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2084 Message: 2091

Damn, it will be a case of DXing in the dark in New Zealand, 2015 has been announced as the phase out date for ordinary bulbs.

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: JOHN GREUSEL
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 20, 2009 5:18 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

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To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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ciao!

2092. Re: [de1103] Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-19 19:25:39 UTC
From: Gordon cooper
Topic: 2084 Message: 2092

on 1/19/09 10:29 AM, Paul at format3nz@... wrote:

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Paul

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I have seen plans for converting these bulbs to shortwave radios. Maybe that is the silver lining here?

73,

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM

2093. Re: [de1103] Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-19 20:08:56 UTC
From: Claudio Leite
Topic: 2084 Message: 2093

Hello-

FWIW, I use these bulbs at my house with recessed lighting and some smaller lamps. I can't tell any difference in noise when they are on or off. Other noise sources in my house are much more offensive.

I don't think the bulbs I bought are too fancy. I remember them being the cheapest when I bought them over a year ago. I think they start making more noise as they age, especially if defective from the get-go.

For those in the US who might be interested, I bought mine at the Home Depot. They were cheap--I can't remember the brand but they came in green and white packaging, and come in the soft-white variety. I find them similar to regular bulbs in color of light, though they are more yellowed. A secondary advantage of this kind is that they are covered by a (rubber? plastic?) shell that I imagine makes them safer w/r/t mercury.

Regards,
-Claudio

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2094. Re: [de1103] Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-19 20:25:02 UTC
From: JOHN GREUSEL
Topic: 2084 Message: 2094

Wait, we can hold out hope that LED household lighting will be viable by then. Of course that may generate birdies in our digital receivers with all those diodes blazing away.

--- On Mon, 1/19/09, Gordon cooper <nwlorax@comcast.net> wrote:
From: Gordon cooper <nwlorax@...>
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: i can't hear almost nothing!
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, January 19, 2009, 1:25 PM

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2095. Re: [de1103] Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-19 22:29:51 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2084 Message: 2095

LED I doubt it, aren't they supposed to be last forever? If so, there won't be much demand after everyone gets them.

Seriously though, noise is a very big problem, it certainly is at my QTH which is a block of four flats. Items that I have determined that cause a lot of noise are:

TV set top boxes (and the TV itself)
Digital displays in stereos
Some VCRs
Computer (Processor, Monitor and broadband modem)
Touch sensitive bedside lamps

In areas that have broadband internet via the mains, this is also a major source of noise.

Sadly, gone are the days that all we had to contend with was interference from the family TV.

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: JOHN GREUSEL
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 20, 2009 9:25 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

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2096. Re: [de1103] Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-19 23:01:07 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2084 Message: 2096

Re: [de1103] Re: i can't hear almost nothing!Hi Gordon

So have I, I managed to last about half an hour. There are supposed to be 'soft tone' (whatever that means) bulbs but all I've found a low wattage ones. I need the equivalent of a 150 watt which don't seem to be as readily available.

Paul

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From: Gordon cooper
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 20, 2009 8:25 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

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2097. Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-20 07:31:40 UTC
From: oldbrand_7
Topic: 2084 Message: 2097

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in my terrace i hear well almost everything with telescopic antenna.

going inside, near the external wall the sound goes down, and inside i don't hear nothing.(im on 3rd floor, reinforced concrete..or red bricks.. we don't have wood houses in italy! neither near the sea or outside big towns).

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ciao!

2098. Re: [de1103] Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-20 08:47:16 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2084 Message: 2098

Hi. Sounds like the building walls are blocking the signals. This happens in some concrete/brick/stucko structures. An outside antenn fed with coax should help get better signals and reduce the RFI.

I used a 40 foot wire connected to the center lead of some coax, with the outside conductor (the shield) grounded to a ground rod. It worked pretty well. The Degen DE1103 and Kaito KA1103 are good portable shortwave receivers, but they will not work as well as more expensive tabletop radios.

Good Luck.

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2099. Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-21 08:19:16 UTC
From: oldbrand_7
Topic: 2084 Message: 2099

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so if you write wrong.. it's culor8 :p

ciaooooo

2100. Re: [de1103] Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-21 10:53:10 UTC
From: Lido Pasquesi
Topic: 2084 Message: 2100

If you don't like the radio is not necessary say silly things. In altre parole se non ti piace il Degen puoi anche stare zitto ed evitare di fare brutte figure.
Saluti
----- Original Message -----
From: oldbrand_7
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2009 9:19 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

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2101. Re: [de1103] Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-21 18:09:36 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2084 Message: 2101

A radio is only as good as the antenna .....

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: Lido Pasquesi
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2009 11:53 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

If you don't like the radio is not necessary say silly things. In altre parole se non ti piace il Degen puoi anche stare zitto ed evitare di fare brutte figure.
Saluti
----- Original Message -----
From: oldbrand_7
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2009 9:19 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: i can't hear almost nothing!

yes, surely it is so.

a friend told me to make a coaxial and plug a wire totally outside,
but even if i'd fix i don't like keyboard layout and the ssb jog. then
scanning restarts at the end of every band, and the step is too wide
in ssb. then if you insert a frequency you have to push again ssb
button... it's too complicated.. i'd like a faster system, and i'll
take a icom R1500 which lets me enjoy in/outside, in bed, in car...

so.. i leave the group.. perhaps in a future i'll get the Grundig G3
and i'll be back 8).

lol.. in italy we use cul8r too on forums etc. but in italian 8 is
pronunced "otto". and "culo rotto" means broken ass :-)

so if you write wrong.. it's culor8 :p

ciaooooo

2102. AC power?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-22 01:31:27 UTC
From: Eric
Topic: 2102 Message: 2102

Can the 1103 run off of an A/C power source without batteries? I'm looking for a portable radio that dosen't need batteries.

2103. Re: [de1103] AC power?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-22 11:15:10 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2102 Message: 2103

Hi Eric - Yes, it does run without batteries, but why bother? (I assume they all come with Ni-Cads) - a portable is limited if it has a mains lead and plug-pack attached to it - you could even say it's not portable!
Regards,
Bob, VK2CAN.

--- On Thu, 22/1/09, Eric <cekretkod@...> wrote:

From: Eric <cekretkod@...>
Subject: [de1103] AC power?
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Received: Thursday, 22 January, 2009, 12:31 PM

Can the 1103 run off of an A/C power source without batteries? I'm looking for a portable radio that dosen't need batteries.

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2104. Improving the Degen DE 31 Active Loop

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-01-31 14:50:22 UTC
From: Ian
Topic: 2104 Message: 2104

Hi All,
Having recently purchased a DE 31, I was a little disappinted that it didn't tune up on the 80 Metre Ham band.
I have now extended it by 32" (80cm) and it tunes up really well on 80!
It has a nice sharp peak from 3.5 MHz up to 14.5 MHz. On MW, it peaks from 500 KHz up to 2 MHz. This makes this little loop more useful to me as I spend many hours listening to 80 Metres.

The loop wire consists of two multistranded conductors which are enameled and shorted together at both ends. My junk box produced a length of similar wire which is just as flexible and nice and light. I decided to extend both ends of the loop to give it a more symmetrical appearance. The loop was unoldered from the small PCB and the new pieces added. A small length of heatshring tubing was employed to tidy the joints. You will need to mve the knots, in the loop wire, down a few inches to give you a symmetrical diamond shape to your loop.

Because the loop is bigger than before, it also works better on medium wave.

Try doing this modification to yours! You could replace all of the loop wire, it's up to you.

73,
Ian G1DRP

2105. February Best Price update please .....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-01 01:14:58 UTC
From: kiddisjr
Topic: 2105 Message: 2105

Universal has the "Black" version Kaito 1103 at $79.95 + $7.95 ship 48 states.

Can Anyone beat that? Im not interested in the Degen.

Thanks,
Rick

2106. AnJan DTS-09 Digital World Band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-01 05:13:03 UTC
From: kiddisjr
Topic: 2106 Message: 2106

The DTS-09 is now showing up on Ebay and perhaps other retail places. It looks cool but is it a sheep in wolves clothing?

I noticed it has been posted at the Eham review page (waiting for a review) for general coverage receivers so stay tuned to find out if its worth the $139 and has equal or better performance than the higher priced Eton/Grundig E5/G5. Perhaps it will be an alternative to the 1103?

Thanks, Rick

2107. Re: [de1103] February Best Price update please .....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-01 06:35:54 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 2105 Message: 2107

You might want a used one. Here ya go. Don't know this person, just a thought..... http://cgi.ebay.com/Kaito-KA1103-Shortwave-Radio_W0QQitemZ180324806291QQcmdZViewItemQQptZShortwave_Radios?hash=item180324806291&_trksid=p3286.c0.m14&_trkparms=72%3A1234%7C66%3A2%7C65%3A12%7C39%3A1%7C240%3A1318%7C301%3A1%7C293%3A1%7C294%3A50

----- Original Message -----
From: kiddisjr
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, January 31, 2009 8:14 PM
Subject: [de1103] February Best Price update please .....

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Thanks,
Rick

2108. Re: AnJan DTS-09 Digital World Band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-01 17:25:52 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 2106 Message: 2108

It's a cool looking radio, Rick. I like the simulated S meter. I found more photos of it here:

http://viru.livejournal.com/87410.html
<http://viru.livejournal.com/87410.html>

and here: http://www.5bcl.com/Article/Class25/200811/2885.html
<http://www.5bcl.com/Article/Class25/200811/2885.html>

Is this the Chinese version of the Grundig G3? It seems to have significant differences in the display. I'm guessing the "Fast" on the display indicates a fast/slow tuning option?

Nelson

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "kiddisjr" <kennjd@...> wrote:
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> 1103?
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> Thanks, Rick
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2109. Re: February Best Price update please .....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-04 23:04:30 UTC
From: n3ham1
Topic: 2105 Message: 2109

Of the two 1103's I own, the Kaito is the the better one with it's
improved audio.
--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "kiddisjr" <kennjd@...> wrote:
>
> Universal has the "Black" version Kaito 1103 at $79.95 + $7.95 ship 48
> states.
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> Thanks,
> Rick
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2110. Re: AnJan DTS-09 Digital World Band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-05 00:05:24 UTC
From: paul
Topic: 2106 Message: 2110

The livejournal website has specifications on the left that show a spectrum hole between 1620 and 1711 kHz. Not sure if this is an oversight, but this would not be good for mediumwave X-banders.

-Paul

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nelson" <greenbrier614@...> wrote:
>
> It's a cool looking radio, Rick. I like the simulated S meter. I found
> more photos of it here:
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> http://viru.livejournal.com/87410.html
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> >
> > Thanks, Rick
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2111. Salida REC Kaito 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-05 02:18:03 UTC
From: diannaded
Topic: 2111 Message: 2111

Hello everybody, can someone tell me how is the REC output (yellow connector) mono or stereo. And where should I connect external speakers to this jack or the headphones.
Thanks
Diana.

2112. Re: [de1103] Salida REC Kaito 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-05 13:34:24 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2111 Message: 2112

Hi Diana. The REC output is stereo. It is a line level output for connecting the radio to a stereo amp, receiver, or computer sound card (line in). You would connect an external speaker to the headphone jack. You could connect amplified computer speakers toi the REC output.

TTYL

diannaded wrote:
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> connector) mono or stereo. And where should I connect external speakers
> to this jack or the headphones.
> Thanks
> Diana.
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>

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KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell

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2114. Re: Salida REC Kaito 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-06 02:00:51 UTC
From: diannaded
Topic: 2111 Message: 2114

Martin thanks for your reply and clearing my doubts.
Greetings.
Diana

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, martin <kb0hae@...> wrote:
>
> Hi Diana. The REC output is stereo. It is a line level output for
> connecting the radio to a stereo amp, receiver, or computer sound
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> jack. You could connect amplified computer speakers toi the REC
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> > Thanks
> > Diana.
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2115. Re: AnJan DTS-09 Digital World Band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-06 03:10:29 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 2106 Message: 2115

That is bizarre. Does the AM band in China top out at 1620?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "paul" <paul46692@...> wrote:
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>
> The livejournal website has specifications on the left that show a
> spectrum hole between 1620 and 1711 kHz. Not sure if this is an
> oversight, but this would not be good for mediumwave X-banders.
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> > > Thanks, Rick
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> >
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2116. Any 1103 quality issues?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-23 18:37:48 UTC
From: John
Topic: 2116 Message: 2116

I just placed an order with a ebay seller from HK (100% feedback) for an 1103, had one last year it was a nice little portable, good SW reception and nice features.

Any issues with the latest batch from China?

73

John

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2117. Re: [de1103] Any 1103 quality issues?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-25 09:22:14 UTC
From: ken mccleary
Topic: 2116 Message: 2117

John wrote:
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> an 1103, had one last year it was a nice little portable, good SW
> reception and nice features.
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> John
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Have purchased from tqchina last month one of these and must say it's a battery pig and the audio quality is not comparable with the 3 sony receivers I have collected over the years (7600, 2010 and 77). Without researching the archive I can't say whether audio quality is an issue, maybe this example is a bit off. Otherwise for sw listening it's no slouch and will get occasional use. Am looking forward to taking it and the 2010 into NSW countryside away from QRM to compare the two next weekend. regards ken

2118. DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-25 13:32:04 UTC
From: Ron Jones
Topic: 2118 Message: 2118

I have had a Degen DE1103 for about a year and have been pleased with its performance.
I thought the sound quality was good for a small radio. Have been using it for CW practice, listening to W1AW (the ARRL station). They send slow code twice a day on various bands.

R Jones

2119. New receiver....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-26 01:10:00 UTC
From: kiddisjr
Topic: 2119 Message: 2119

Anjan DTS-380. High End Portable.
If anyone has tried it out, please post your impressions here.
Perhaps an alternative to the DE1103?

http://www.anjan.cn/News/companydynamic/20081104185807.htm

Thanks, Rick

2120. Re: Any 1103 quality issues?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-26 01:13:10 UTC
From: Theo
Topic: 2116 Message: 2120

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, ken mccleary <kdmc@...> wrote:
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> John wrote:
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> > an 1103, had one last year it was a nice little portable, good SW
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> battery pig and the audio quality is not comparable with the 3 sony
> receivers I have collected over the years (7600, 2010 and 77).

I've had my Degen 1103 for 4 years (Mar '05) purchased through <lipyn>
on eBay, and wouldn't describe it in any way as a "battery pig".

Them's the breaks, I guess.

Audio-wise, well, it is a small hand-held. But I use it with
headphones anyway.

Um, my purchase price was $US45... so let's be a little forgiving if
ALL the features don't measure up.

Reception-wise, it gives my Eton E1 a run for its money... just
doesn't have the bells and whistles that $500 pays for.

2121. Re: [de1103] Re: Any 1103 quality issues?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-26 03:29:18 UTC
From: Dave Spicer
Topic: 2116 Message: 2121

Theo wrote:

> I've had my Degen 1103 for 4 years (Mar '05) purchased through <lipyn>
> on eBay, and wouldn't describe it in any way as a "battery pig".

Perhaps the OP is experiencing battery-capacity or charger issues? From what I've seen here, a number of folks have found the factory-supplied batteries and/or chargers lacking in capacity...

2122. Re: Any 1103 quality issues?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-26 09:23:57 UTC
From: georges.giralt
Topic: 2116 Message: 2122

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Dave Spicer <drspicer@...> wrote:
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> Theo wrote:
>
> > I've had my Degen 1103 for 4 years (Mar '05) purchased through <lipyn>
> > on eBay, and wouldn't describe it in any way as a "battery pig".
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> batteries and/or chargers lacking in capacity...
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Hi !
I second that.
I've mine for a week now. The supplied batteries won't last a day. So
I fully charged them into the radio, then measured out each voltage.
One did not get charged at all. So the set ran only for a few minutes.
I charged them individually into my NiMH battery charger and the set
ran for 4 days...
I wonder if the charging circuitry is good enough for the NiMH process
? (having 4 batteries in series during charge does not seem a good
idea to me)

2123. Re: [de1103] Re: Any 1103 quality issues?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-26 10:46:18 UTC
From: leon Heller
Topic: 2116 Message: 2123

They do seem rather variable. The audio quality on my three-year old model is very good, and the battteries are still working OK (I use an external charger).

Leon
--
Leon Heller
Amateur radio call-sign G1HSM
Yaesu FT-817ND transceiver
Suzuki SV1000S motorcycle
leon355@...
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller

2124. RE: [de1103] Re: Any 1103 quality issues?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-26 13:21:52 UTC
From: John Miller
Topic: 2116 Message: 2124

Thanks for the info gentlemen. The one I had last year did well with the supplied batteries (4 days normal) and no other issues as I recall.

I should be getting mine next week. I will charge the supplied batteries in an external wall charger, I suspect the internal charger is designed for travelers who normally don't carry a wall external pod type charger.

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of georges.giralt
Sent: Thursday, February 26, 2009 2:24 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: Any 1103 quality issues?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com <mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com> , Dave Spicer <drspicer@...> wrote:
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> Theo wrote:
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2125. Re: [de1103] Re: Any 1103 quality issues?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-26 14:56:33 UTC
From: KEN ATV
Topic: 2116 Message: 2125

There should be a "Sticky" in this group concerning the batteries that come with this radio. Step 1. Throw out the batteries that are supplied with the 1103.
Step 2. Buy replacement batteries.
Step 3. Always charge the replacement batteries is a dedicated charger, NOT the radio.
Step 4. Enjoy long battery life and a super performing little radio.
Or: If you want grief, short battery life and and hot radio, ignore the above 4 steps.

--- On Thu, 2/26/09, georges.giralt <georges.giralt@...> wrote:
From: georges.giralt <georges.giralt@...>
Subject: [de1103] Re: Any 1103 quality issues?
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, February 26, 2009, 9:23 AM

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Dave Spicer <drspicer@...> wrote:
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> Theo wrote:
>
> > I've had my Degen 1103 for 4 years (Mar '05) purchased
through <lipyn>
> > on eBay, and wouldn't describe it in any way as a "battery
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2126. Re: [de1103] Re: Any 1103 quality issues?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-26 15:39:10 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2116 Message: 2126

Hi Ken. I will have to take exception to number 3. If you have good NiMH batteries, there should be no problem with charging the batteries in the radio. I have done so with both my KA-1103, and my Grundig G5, and zero problems so far. Both radios will operate for up to 28 hours on a fully charged set of batteries(your millage may vary). This is consistent with the current drain that I have neasured on both radios of aproximatley 75 MA at a volume setting of 14 on the KA-1103, and 7 on the G5. I use Kodak pre-charged 2100Mah NiMH batteries. I get the same run times whether I charge the batteries in the radio, or in an external charger.

Number 2 needs to be amended to read "Buy good quality replacement batteries". I have found that Digital Concepts batteries have poor quality control. It is not unusual to get one marginal battery out of a set of 4. And neither the NiMH batteries, nor either of my radios get more than very slightly warm when charging the batteries in the radio. If yours gets hot, there is a problem with the batteries or the charging circuit in the radio.

The batteries Kaito supplies with their radios are obviously cheaply made. The fully charged voltage on my set of 4 ranged from 1.42 to 1.23 The Kodak batteries read a uniform 1.44 volts when fully charged. I have marked each set of NiMH batteries, and keep sets together.

TTYL

KEN ATV wrote:
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KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell

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2127. Re: Any 1103 quality issues?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-28 03:12:05 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 2116 Message: 2127

My 3-4 yr old KA-1103 has had the main tuning/volume rotary encoder go increasingly flaky over the last several months. It's now a pain to tune, especially SSB/CW, as it jumps back and forth in frequency.

Tom VE3MEO

2128. Re: [de1103] Re: Any 1103 quality issues?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-02-28 08:35:44 UTC
From: ken mccleary
Topic: 2116 Message: 2128

Tom Holden VE3MEO wrote:
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> increasingly flaky over the last several months. It's now a pain to
> tune, especially SSB/CW, as it jumps back and forth in frequency.
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> Tom VE3MEO
>
>
Hi Tom, you can get another at http://stores.ebay.com.au/RadiosCN
page 3 73, ken

2129. Newbie - DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-01 08:42:18 UTC
From: dutchie5959
Topic: 2129 Message: 2129

Hi there,

Good to see a dedicated Group for this little unit.

Where do I start.....??
I have not been involved in radios for over 30 years.....I purchased my 1103 some 15 months ago but it has not been used as I contracted the dreaded MSRA (Superbugs)....and now after 15 months, and back home, I want to begin using it again.

I set it up last night and used the additional 31MS Loop antenna which goes outside and attaches to my Colourbond shed some 10 meters from my unit.

I got great reception last night picking up foreign languages and other asain based signals.
I'm based in Melbourne Australia.

My question, I did not pickup really outside Australia and the rim of outer Asia.

The question I have is how (if possible) would I be able to pick up U.S, Middle East and Europe (Netherlands in particular)?

How can I get a bigger range....I assume with a better antenna setup??

If so, how and with what.....please keep in mind that i regard myself as a total newbie after all these years.....

thanks heaps

2130. Re: Newbie - DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-01 15:17:55 UTC
From: aircheckclover
Topic: 2129 Message: 2130

Greetings Dutchie;

From one old SWL who has returned after 30 years to another, welcome back. I am sure you will find the SWL bug more pleasant than the MSRA bug.

To answer your questions ... sunspot activity is at an all-time low and has been staying at this low for longer than historically usual. This means for an extended period of time SW propagation has been at its' worse. EX: I should be able to listen to ABC in the wee hours up until 8am local time on 9580 and a weaker version on 9590 anytime I want. Sometimes however the signal is just not there. 15 mhz and up is pretty much dead except for a couple hours midday.
So propagation is down from what you probably experienced as a lad "back in the day". The other big change is English is a dying language on SW. Actually, seems all languages except Spanish are dying languages on SW. I find the 1103/31 loop is a great combination and thank goodness because nowadays Radio Netherlands & BBC only xcast English to Africa so I've got to grab broadcasts not intended to be heard here in North America.

The 1103 hears more now that I put up an end-fed sloper (75 foot long wire with a 9:1 un-un at the termination end). To extend your range, I'd suggest a long wire like I have or if you want to spend a few bucks, you can get a trapped dipole (tuned for SW bands) or spend twice as much as you did for your radio and go for the Wellbrook 1530 loop. Pricey but seems to satisfy most.

Happy listening,

Mark

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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "dutchie5959" <dutchie5959@...> wrote:
>
> Hi there,
>
> Good to see a dedicated Group for this little unit.
>
> Where do I start.....??
> I have not been involved in radios for over 30 years.....I purchased
> my 1103 some 15 months ago but it has not been used as I contracted
> the dreaded MSRA (Superbugs)....and now after 15 months, and back
> home, I want to begin using it again.
>
> I set it up last night and used the additional 31MS Loop antenna which

> goes outside and attaches to my Colourbond shed some 10 meters from my
> unit.
>
> I got great reception last night picking up foreign languages and
> other asain based signals.
> I'm based in Melbourne Australia.
>
> My question, I did not pickup really outside Australia and the rim of
> outer Asia.
>
> The question I have is how (if possible) would I be able to pick up
> U.S, Middle East and Europe (Netherlands in particular)?
>
> How can I get a bigger range....I assume with a better antenna setup??
>
> If so, how and with what.....please keep in mind that i regard myself
> as a total newbie after all these years.....
>
> thanks heaps
>

2131. DE 31 - Loop Antenna Extension

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-02 11:54:17 UTC
From: dutchie5959
Topic: 2131 Message: 2131

I am contemplating extending this with wire and seeking advice.

Currently, it runs from my window along the house brickwork and is fixed to my metal shed.
Is it worth extending it longer by say another 20M and run it along the top of my fence twisting it to the original clips supplied and if so, should this be any improvement in reception etc etc.....

I am a total newbie.....from Melbourne, Australia.....

cheers in advance

2132. RE: [de1103] DE 31 - Loop Antenna Extension

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-02 12:12:04 UTC
From: don sadam
Topic: 2131 Message: 2132

More wire might help but getting it up higher is the best way to improve any antenna's perfomance. Cheers, Don Adams N4BWV

To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
From: dutchie5959@...
Date: Mon, 2 Mar 2009 11:54:17 +0000
Subject: [de1103] DE 31 - Loop Antenna Extension

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2133. Wire extension to DE31 Loop Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-02 12:23:39 UTC
From: dutchie5959
Topic: 2133 Message: 2133

Further to my previous posts, what sort of wire should i consider??

2134. RE: [de1103] Wire extension to DE31 Loop Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-02 19:33:59 UTC
From: don sadam
Topic: 2133 Message: 2134

I wouldn't go lower than 16 gauge stranded. Stranded is easier to work with. If your extension is clear of obstructions use bare or insulated, it doesn't matter.

To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
From: dutchie5959@...
Date: Mon, 2 Mar 2009 12:23:39 +0000
Subject: [de1103] Wire extension to DE31 Loop Antenna

Further to my previous posts, what sort of wire should i consider??

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2135. Re: [de1103] Re: Any 1103 quality issues?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-03 08:26:36 UTC
From: Gordon cooper
Topic: 2116 Message: 2135

on 2/28/09 12:35 AM, ken mccleary at kdmc@... wrote:

> Tom Holden VE3MEO wrote:
>>
>> My 3-4 yr old KA-1103 has had the main tuning/volume rotary encoder go
>> increasingly flaky over the last several months. It's now a pain to
>> tune, especially SSB/CW, as it jumps back and forth in frequency.
>>
>> Tom VE3MEO
>>
>>
> Hi Tom, you can get another at http://stores.ebay.com.au/RadiosCN
> page 3 73, ken

Some years ago, Arthur C. Clarke proposed a rule for machines in his novel, "The City and The Stars"--

'No truly efficient machine has any moving parts."

Maybe the next step in electronic designs should be a sensor that follows the movement of the hand around a non-moving virtual knob, translating motions into up/down etc. equivalencies to change frequencies, or any other desired characteristic.

73,

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM
Bremerton, WA

2136. Re: Any 1103 quality issues?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-03 17:27:06 UTC
From: Tom Holden VE3MEO
Topic: 2116 Message: 2136

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, ken mccleary <kdmc@...> wrote:
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> > increasingly flaky over the last several months. It's now a pain to
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> >
> > Tom VE3MEO
> >
> >
> Hi Tom, you can get another at http://stores.ebay.com.au/RadiosCN
> page 3 73, ken
>

Thanks for the link, Ken. I knew about this source and have been
dithering over ordering one because it seems to be the same as the
original part and liable to go flaky after a similar period of use.
Maybe it's better to get a new radio - that Grundig/Eton G3/E3 maybe...

Tom VE3MEO

2137. Re: Any 1103 quality issues?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-03 19:09:25 UTC
From: georges.giralt
Topic: 2116 Message: 2137

Hi !
I've to say that the Degen batteries benefit from a few cycles. I've
let the radio run until total drainage of the batteries, recharged
them and they last longer now.
At first, using the radio as the charger, one battery was less charged
than the other 3. but now, it seems the 4 of them get an even charge.
so you may want to cycle them a few times to get good performance.
I have a set of 2100 mAh I only charge in a good wall charger so I can
let the Degen original one die if they have too, but I've found them
to be better (in the 1300 mAh limit they have, of course) than they
where when I get the radio.
Hope this helps.
--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, martin <kb0hae@...> wrote:
>
> Hi Ken. I will have to take exception to number 3. If you have good
> NiMH batteries, there should be no problem with charging the batteries
> in the radio. I have done so with both my KA-1103, and my Grundig G5,
> and zero problems so far. Both radios will operate for up to 28 hours
> on a fully charged set of batteries(your millage may vary). This is
> consistent with the current drain that I have neasured on both radios
> of aproximatley 75 MA at a volume setting of 14 on the KA-1103, and 7
> on the G5. I use Kodak pre-charged 2100Mah NiMH batteries. I get the
> same run times whether I charge the batteries in the radio, or in an
> external charger.
>
> Number 2 needs to be amended to read "Buy good quality replacement
> batteries". I have found that Digital Concepts batteries have poor
> quality control. It is not unusual to get one marginal battery out of
> a set of 4. And neither the NiMH batteries, nor either of my radios
> get more than very slightly warm when charging the batteries in the
> radio. If yours gets hot, there is a problem with the batteries or
> the charging circuit in the radio.
>
> The batteries Kaito supplies with their radios are obviously cheaply
> made. The fully charged voltage on my set of 4 ranged from 1.42 to
> 1.23 The Kodak batteries read a uniform 1.44 volts when fully
> charged. I have marked each set of NiMH batteries, and keep sets
> together.
>
> TTYL
>
> KEN ATV wrote:
> > There should be a "Sticky" in this group concerning the batteries
> > that come with this radio. Step 1. Throw out the batteries that are
> > supplied with the 1103. Step 2. Buy replacement batteries. Step 3.

> > Always charge the replacement batteries is a dedicated charger, NOT
> > the radio. Step 4. Enjoy long battery life and a super performing
> > little radio. Or: If you want grief, short battery life and and hot
> > radio, ignore the above 4 steps.
> >
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> CUL8R
>
> KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell
>
> A Satisfied Sidux Linux user! To get Sidux go to:
> www.sidux.com/index.html
> "Protect your digital freedom and privacy, eliminate DRM, learn more
> at http://www.defectivebydesign.org/what_is_drm"
>

2138. Re: Any 1103 quality issues?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-04 04:59:06 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 2116 Message: 2138

I think the tuning control is just a rotary step switch, and when the grease inside them gets old and thick it interferes with electrical contact. If it can be opened, I would strip out the old grease and repack with light Teflon grease. I've had to do this on stereo volume controls and the like.

I think I've seen replacement controls on eBay, in case it can't be opened.

Nelson

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>

2139. Re: [de1103] Re: Any 1103 quality issues?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-05 00:31:43 UTC
From: Thad Larson
Topic: 2116 Message: 2139

FWIW...

The grease replacement works if the knob jogs inconsistently. Let me explain.

The jog dial that I replaced (close ups found in the pictures section) would reverse direction when the jog dial was at a specific location. It would act normal until the knob rotated another ~360 degrees. When I opened up the encoder, one of the contacts were damaged causing an intermittent open. The jog dial needed to be replaced. I do not imagine that this happens often. It may happen often with the Degen/Kaito encoder for whatever reason.

If a jog dial jumps around with the wheel at different locations, there is likely debris in the grease that is causing the intermittent opens. As the knob turns, the debris is moved around so the intermittency changes relative to the knob angular position. It should happen more often. Removing the grease removes the debris. Don't leave the encoder without grease because then it will oxidize and/or get dirtier faster than before (friction).

Thad

--- On Tue, 3/3/09, Nelson <greenbrier614@...> wrote:

From: Nelson <greenbrier614@...>

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2140. RIP DE1103 - 3yrs 3months

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-06 05:06:51 UTC
From: obx2001
Topic: 2140 Message: 2140

I knew something was going
wrong with the radio, the
4th digit in the display was
showing half the segments.
Reception on ssb was at times
not stable. The ssb problem started
about 10 months ago.

The display wouldnt show an 8
or a 3, like the left hand side
went blank. No mhz was displayed
either when in fm mode.

Oh well, radio worked so well for
3 years I ordered another one
tonight. $25/year for reception
isnt bad.

Just thought I give you a heads
up when they start going south and
what to look for. At least thats
what happened to me.

RIP my first Degen 1103.....

TQchina send me a good one.....

2141. Re: RIP DE1103 - 3yrs 3months

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-06 05:08:50 UTC
From: obx2001
Topic: 2140 Message: 2141

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "obx2001" <obx2001@...> wrote:
>
>
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> wrong with the radio, the
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> showing half the segments.
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> up when they start going south and
> what to look for. At least thats
> what happened to me.
>
Tonight NADA nothing... just gived up
the ghost, all kinds of weird problems...

> RIP my first Degen 1103.....
>
> TQchina send me a good one.....
>

2142. Re: [de1103] RIP DE1103 - 3yrs 3months

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-06 06:18:10 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 2140 Message: 2142

I had one go because of the encoder and another by lightning. I have owned 4 , love em!!
----- Original Message -----
From: obx2001
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, March 06, 2009 12:06 AM
Subject: [de1103] RIP DE1103 - 3yrs 3months

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2143. 1103 quality issues thanks

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-07 16:38:55 UTC
From: John
Topic: 2143 Message: 2143

Good info, Thanks.Maybe a spare encoder would be prudent.

My 1103 arrived yesterday and is waiting at the local PO till Monday, so I'm looking forward to getting it. For an inexpensive radio I guess 3 years is a good record depending on usage. I had a Sony 2001 for many years of business travel around the world and it lasted aboout 20 years fo the price I paid it was worth it. Chinese portables have not yet achived a QC ratings like some Japan manufacturers and US.

As most know even Sony now offers no service for the 2010, SW-55 and 77 and limited parts are only available from overses.

2144. Re: 1103 quality issues thanks

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-09 22:07:00 UTC
From: obx2001
Topic: 2143 Message: 2144

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "John" <aksafety@...> wrote:
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>

According to ebay listing tqchina, the de1103's
now come with alps encoder, quad gang variable
capacitor,sound distortion fixed, fm sensitivity
improved and protection diodes added.

I never had any problems with my encoder.
It was the chip (brain) that went bad.
Saving the RIP Degen for parts. My RIP
Degen lived the quiet life, no drops, no
damage etc. It just went.....

2145. So far so good

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-12 17:06:52 UTC
From: John
Topic: 2145 Message: 2145

My 1103 arrived last Monday and so far excellent results here in Idaho, I am in the foothills of Boise Idaho about 2800 ft and the radio on the internal whip at night 2100-2200 hrs before bedtime, so far outpreforms my previous Somy 7600GR. No CD with this one just the wire antenna, batteries, charger, pouch and booklet along with earbuds. For the money and features a great buy.

Unkown if this one has ant diode protection or ALPS endoer, like the ones offered by TQCHINA on ebay, he was my last seller a year ago.

any way of checking by opening?

2146. Grundig G4 at woot.com, one day only, $100

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-13 18:12:38 UTC
From: wgmartin999
Topic: 2146 Message: 2146

The website woot.com is a closeout merchandiser that sells items for one day only until they run out. You can buy one, two, or three of what is for sale that day. Shipping is a flat $5, no matter what you buy.

Today, March 13, they have the Grundig G4 for $100. That's the one with the built-in MP3 player/recorder.

First time I've seen them have an SW radio. I have no connection with them other than having bought different items from them at multiple times. Thought people on this group would like to know.

73, Will

2147. Spare 1103 FS $65

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-27 14:54:55 UTC
From: John
Topic: 2147 Message: 2147

Got two need one, I did check it and working perfect, sealed batteries, unopened ac power supply, antenna and pouch so as new.

Will sell for $65 shipped

e-mail direct: aksafety@...

2148. Re: [de1103] Spare 1103 FS $65

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-28 04:39:53 UTC
From: Bill Planck
Topic: 2147 Message: 2148

Is it the Degen or Kaito? Thanks.

Bill

On Fri, Mar 27, 2009 at 10:54 AM, John <aksafety@...> wrote:

> Got two need one, I did check it and working perfect, sealed batteries,
> unopened ac power supply, antenna and pouch so as new.
>
> Will sell for $65 shipped
>
> e-mail direct: aksafety@... <aksafety%40ctcweb.net>
>
>
>

2149. RE: [de1103] Spare 1103 FS $65

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-28 13:56:07 UTC
From: John Miller
Topic: 2147 Message: 2149

Degen

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Bill Planck
Sent: Friday, March 27, 2009 10:40 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] Spare 1103 FS $65

Is it the Degen or Kaito? Thanks.

Bill

On Fri, Mar 27, 2009 at 10:54 AM, John <aksafety@...> wrote:

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unopened ac power supply, antenna and pouch so as new.

Will sell for $65 shipped

e-mail direct: aksafety@... <mailto:aksafety%40ctcweb.net>

2150. RE: [de1103] Spare 1103 FS $65

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-03-29 09:30:08 UTC
From: EVERALDO RUSSO
Topic: 2147 Message: 2150

Thanks but I have already a Degen De 1103,good luck.

--- Sab 28/3/09, John Miller <aksafety@...> ha scritto:

Da: John Miller <aksafety@ctcweb.net>
Oggetto: RE: [de1103] Spare 1103 FS $65
A: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Data: Sabato 28 marzo 2009, 14:56

Degen

From: de1103@yahoogroups. com [mailto:de1103@ yahoogroups. com] On Behalf Of Bill Planck
Sent: Friday, March 27, 2009 10:40 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups. com
Subject: Re: [de1103] Spare 1103 FS $65

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Will sell for $65 shipped

e-mail direct: aksafety@ctcweb. net

2151. 1103 $50

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-04-15 00:53:25 UTC
From: John
Topic: 2151 Message: 2151

New in box, complete.

e-mail direct: aksafety@...

2152. Preset stations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-04-18 15:12:42 UTC
From: Nelser1
Topic: 2152 Message: 2152

I am having a problem programing the 268 preset stations. I think I'm following the directions an page 18 of Operation Manual. When I try to add the 2nd and beyond frequencies and turn jog dial, I don't get any selection except 00, 01, and CC. What am I doing wrong?

2153. Re: [de1103] Preset stations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-04-18 21:52:16 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2152 Message: 2153

Hi - I haven't struck this one before, but as you haven't got anything in memory, you might as well do a complete reset and start again!
Bob.

--- On Sun, 19/4/09, Nelser1 <elnscer@...> wrote:

From: Nelser1 <elnscer@...>
Subject: [de1103] Preset stations
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Received: Sunday, 19 April, 2009, 1:12 AM

I am having a problem programing the 268 preset stations. I think I'm following the directions an page 18 of Operation Manual. When I try to add the 2nd and beyond frequencies and turn jog dial, I don't get any selection except 00, 01, and CC. What am I doing wrong?

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2154. Re: Preset stations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-04-22 21:31:43 UTC
From: Nelser1
Topic: 2152 Message: 2154

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nelser1" <elnscer@...> wrote:
>
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Still having problems setting up presets after resetting. I have 2 presets programed_00 01. When I try to store the 3rd station by pressing store, then turning jog dial to get to next available empty slot 02, all that comes on screen is the already programmed 00 and 01 frequencies, not 03. Just as happens when I push the M/F button and turn the jog dial. I must be reading the instructions wrong. It would seem that I could store new frequency in next empty slot 02 which never appears. Any help will be appreciated.
>

2155. Preset stations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-04-22 21:57:37 UTC
From: Nelser1
Topic: 2152 Message: 2155

Still having problems setting up presets after resetting. I have 2 presets programed_00 01. When I try to store the 3rd station by pressing store, then turning jog dial to get to next available empty slot 02, all that comes on screen is the already programmed 00 and 01 frequencies, not 03. Just as happens when I push the M/F button and turn the jog dial. I must be reading the instructions wrong. It would seem that I could store new frequency in next empty slot 02 which never appears. Any help will be appreciated.

2156. Re: [de1103] Preset stations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-04-23 03:49:36 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2152 Message: 2156

Hi. Here is how to set the preset memories. First get thr frequency that you want in VFO mode (not memory mode). Press and hold the store button, and rotate the jog dial to select the memory you want. Then release the store button and press it again. If this doesn't work for you, try reset a couple of times. If the above procedure still doesn't work, then you have a defective radio.

TTYL

Nelser1 wrote:
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CUL8R

KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell

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www.sidux.com/index.html
"Protect your digital freedom and privacy, eliminate DRM, learn more at http://www.defectivebydesign.org/what_is_drm"

2157. Re: Preset stations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-04-22 22:58:44 UTC
From: revex540
Topic: 2152 Message: 2157

You must press and hold the store key while turning the jog wheel.

Bob

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nelser1" <elnscer@...> wrote:
>
> Still having problems setting up presets after resetting. I have 2 presets programed_00 01. When I try to store the 3rd station by pressing store, then turning jog dial to get to next available empty slot 02, all that comes on screen is the already programmed 00 and 01 frequencies, not 03. Just as happens when I push the M/F button and turn the jog dial. I must be reading the instructions wrong. It would seem that I could store new frequency in next empty slot 02 which never appears. Any help will be appreciated.
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2158. Re: Preset stations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-04-23 15:36:44 UTC
From: Nelser1
Topic: 2152 Message: 2158

Thanks. It now works as it should. Your simple explanation was what I needed. Operation manual needs to be clearer in that area.

2159. Re: [de1103] Re: Preset stations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-04-23 17:02:10 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2152 Message: 2159

Hi. The manual is not very clear, mainly because it is a poor translation of the Chinese manual. They REALLY need to have someone who is a native English speaker write the English manuals. Fir a better manual go the the fils area of the group, and get DE1103-Manual.pdf <http://f1.grp.yahoofs.com/v1/kJ7wSVTxuJLziNTVn_dFArdh7hPZV42hDE3ijoxuDr8fjUwgrioXXyptOVlN_sOwxVnEn7PSGpwF-5Qo-yDupW7dUADS1w/DE1103-Manual.pdf>

TTYL

Nelser1 wrote:
> Thanks. It now works as it should. Your simple explanation was what I needed. Operation manual needs to be clearer in that area.
>
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>

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CUL8R

KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell

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2160. HF receiving with stock antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-04-23 17:13:40 UTC
From: gabriele
Topic: 2152 Message: 2160

Just bought, waiting shipping.
Can someone tell me please how this item works in HF SSB, bot with his antenna or with external hf antenna if possible, or just with his antenna?
Ty
Gabriele

2161. New DEGEN 1103 $55

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-04-23 21:59:53 UTC
From: John
Topic: 2161 Message: 2161

New in box, tested with alkaline batteries to ensure working. Complete from factory as new, NiMhd batteries still sealed, charger unused, antenna still wrapped. Carry pouch, booklet.

$55 shipped

2162. Re: [de1103] HF receiving with stock antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-04-24 01:39:16 UTC
From: nwlorax@comcast.net
Topic: 2152 Message: 2162

The flimsy wire antenna that comes with the radio is fine, until stepped on late at night.

I bought a Combi-tenna, which is a big improvement over the stock whip. My whip antenna broke after a year of use, so buy a spare if having one is important.

With an amplified or wire antenna, reception is phenomenal compared to any other $50.00 radio. The RP2100 can be a bit more sensitive, though harder to tune without a keypad.

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Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM

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2163. Re: HF receiving with stock antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-04-24 02:13:31 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2152 Message: 2163

Hi Gordon,

The Combo-tenna <http://hamradiofun.com/combotenna.htm> you mention seems like a really simple circuit with only a few components on a veroboard (I'm assuming just a single transistor acting as a broadband amplifier).
Can you read the transistor part number for me from your combo-tenna?

BTW I have never been able to work out why people call the telescopic antenna a whip antenna <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Whip_antenna> .
They are two different things.

regards
Peter

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2164. Re: [de1103] Re: HF receiving with stock antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-04-24 11:56:07 UTC
From: gabriele
Topic: 2152 Message: 2164

i am trying several vertical wire connected as in: http://www.brunero.it/dci/un_un.html bottom of the page, sorry is in italian but you can see jack connection.

----- Original Message -----
From: silva_halide
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, April 24, 2009 4:13 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: HF receiving with stock antenna

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2165. Using the Degen 1103 above 29.999 Mhz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-04-26 22:59:46 UTC
From: nilsson_6
Topic: 2165 Message: 2165

I'm an electronics tech, but I can't build something like this beautiful DE1103 for less than I bought it, and it is a great performer. After reading the various "tricks" for reception past 29.999 Mhz, I did some testing, and here's a better explanation for what's going on, and some test results.

Degen DE1103 30.000 to 39.000 Mhz

Use the "Tune below 100 kHz" trick and a stopwatch. Each group of 10.000 Mhz takes about 7 min 00 seconds to scan down if you switch the Local/DX = Lo Dx switch to Lo, and retract the antenna and clip in place. The first character of each 10.000 Mhz group will vary, and even if it's a number, will not usually mean what it displays.

The first odd character displayed is like "a". or a numeric "8" without the upper left segment; we'll call it "a"
The second odd character displayed is a small square with a bar over it; we'll call it "+"

As one scans downward from 0 kHz, here's the elapsed time, displayed frequency, and actual frequency :

Time (min:sec) Display Actual
0:10 a9xxx 19xxx kHz
6:50 a0xxx 10xxx kHz

7:05 a9xxx 09xxx kHz
13:50 a0xxx 00xxx kHz

14:05 a9xxx 39xxx kHz
21:05 +9xxx 29xxx kHz
28:05 +9xxx 19xxx kHz
35:05 19xxx 09xxx kHz
42:05 a9xxx 39xxx kHz
49:05 29xxx 29xxx kHz
56:05 19xxx 19xxx kHz This last one then
enters a pre-defined band and just scans within that band.

So you can use the frequencies in either the 14 elapsed minutes or 42 elapsed minutes groups to set up predefined stored memories; I've stored 30.00 to 39.00 Mhz as Mem 30 to mem 39.

In the schematics filed on this group, there's a filter installed in the electronics to start filtering out frequencies above 30 Mhz, so one will find decreasing sensitivity going from 30 MHz 39 MHz. I set up a very low power AM transmitter running at a fixed strength, variable frequencies, to show the effect of this filter, as signal strength bars vs frequency:

Frequency bars of signal strength

26500 kHz 6
27500 kHz 6
28500 kHz 6
29500 kHz 9
30500 kHz 4
31500 kHz 4
32500 kHz 4
33500 kHz 9
34500 kHz 5
35500 kHz 2
36500 kHz 2
37500 kHz none
38500 kHz none
39500 kHz none

In most designs, each bar means 10 times the power of the last bar displayed to the left, so if you have a 1 bar signal, and a 3 bar signal, the 3 bar signal is 100 times stronger than the 1 bar signal. This means that the useful range of this "trick" is from 30 Mhz to 36.5 MHz, but strong local signals will be picked up right to 39.999 Mhz.

Enjoy!

2166. Re: Using the Degen 1103 above 29.999 Mhz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-04-28 09:50:12 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2165 Message: 2166

Great discovery nilsson.

If I adjust the two filters [1] so their upper corner frequencies are around 50MHz rather than 30MHz will the DE1103 be able to tune to 50MHz, or does it not go above 39.000MHz ?

regards
Peter

[1] Existing filter specs in the signal path from the telescopic antenna to MIXER 1:
BPF with Fc_lower=1.7MHz and Fc_upper=30MHz
LPF with Fc=30Mhz

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2167. RE: [de1103] Re: Using the Degen 1103 above 29.999 Mhz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-04-28 18:40:43 UTC
From: Colin Nilsson
Topic: 2165 Message: 2167

Not my discovery, but I found the discussion on a Russian website far too long and on the wrong trail.

The Degen DE1103 never tunes above 39.999 MHz; those other blocks in the post are just aliases for normal reception blocks of 10 MHz. That's why high signal strengths show up on them, but not on the two 30.000 to 39.999 MHz blocks.

I'll post later about how to improve 30-39 MHz reception without opening up the receiver.

To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
From: forums@...
Date: Tue, 28 Apr 2009 09:50:12 +0000
Subject: [de1103] Re: Using the Degen 1103 above 29.999 Mhz

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2168. Re: HF receiving with stock antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-05 18:28:22 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 2152 Message: 2168

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "silva_halide" <forums@...> wrote:
>
> Hi Gordon,
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>
> regards
> Peter

Dear Peter:

Having just moved house, I am looking for most of my electronics at this point. The amplified antenna uses an FET, and I'll post details as I find it in the boxes of assorted small electronics.

The telescoping antenna is called a whip antenna, at least in the Midwest, because the were commonly used as inner city street weapons c. 1950. Breaking one off of a car it becomes a stinging, very damaging weapon, quite similar to aã□□steel whip. Or at least that's what I've seen and been told.

73,

Gordon

2169. aircraft frequencies

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-08 00:15:38 UTC
From: linoalmeida42
Topic: 2169 Message: 2169

Hello SWL people!!!
How can I receive aircraft frequencies 120/140 mHz.on Degen 1103??What about antenna? I live under aircraft traffic but don´t hear nothing.
Lino swl 1035 B São Paulo Brasil

2170. Re: [de1103] aircraft frequencies

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-08 03:05:55 UTC
From: Aluizio Antonio dos Santos
Topic: 2169 Message: 2170

oi Lino
o degen não pega esta frequencia.
Aluizio
----- Original Message -----
From: linoalmeida42
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, May 07, 2009 9:15 PM
Subject: [de1103] aircraft frequencies

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Tested on: 8/5/2009 00:04:41
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2171. Re: aircraft frequencies

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-08 18:54:00 UTC
From: nilsson_6
Topic: 2169 Message: 2171

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "linoalmeida42" <lino-almeida@...> wrote:
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The Degen 1103 doesn't receive the aircraft frequencies, just shortwave below 40 MHz and the standard FM band in Japan/North America.

The manufacturer of the Degen brand, Tecsun, does make aircraft band receivers that are a little like the Degen 1103, under the brand names Eton and Grundig, and might have something under the Degen brand as well. Check on eBay in the same eBay stores that sell the Degen 1103.

2172. tqchina still around?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-13 13:48:32 UTC
From: paul
Topic: 2172 Message: 2172

I checked out all the DEGEN and KAITO radios on ebay this morning, but I didn't see tqchina as a seller anywhere. Did tqchina stop selling the radios, or did he change his name? Anybody know? TIA - Paul

2173. Re: [de1103] tqchina still around?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-13 14:01:29 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 2172 Message: 2173

http://shop.ebay.com/merchant/tquchina_W0QQ_nkwZQQ_armrsZ1QQ_fromZQQ_mdoZ

Please note that seller's name is tquchina

Horacio A. Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

--- El mié, 13/5/09, paul <paul46692@...> escribió:

De: paul <paul46692@...>
Asunto: [de1103] tqchina still around?
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: miércoles, 13 mayo, 2009 10:48

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2174. Re: [de1103] tqchina still around?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-12 16:32:54 UTC
From: gabriele
Topic: 2172 Message: 2174

i bought from sunslf here in italy
gab

----- Original Message -----
From: Horacio Nigro
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 13, 2009 4:01 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] tqchina still around?

http://shop.ebay.com/merchant/tquchina_W0QQ_nkwZQQ_armrsZ1QQ_fromZQQ_mdoZ

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2175. Re: HF receiving with stock antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-13 23:28:43 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2152 Message: 2175

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Gordon Cooper" <nwlorax@...> wrote:
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "silva_halide" forums@ wrote:
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> Having just moved house, I am looking for most of my electronics at
this
> point. The amplified antenna uses an FET, and I'll post details as I
> find it in the boxes of assorted small electronics.

Thanks Gordon,

I look forward to your reply.

regards
Peter

2176. Re: tqchina still around?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-13 14:10:07 UTC
From: cla_xyz
Topic: 2172 Message: 2176

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "paul" <paul46692@...> wrote:
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Search for tquchina instead. Still there. Ciao

2177. Re: tqchina still around?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-14 01:17:22 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2172 Message: 2177

I too bought my Degen from sunslf on eBay. They are based in China and they use the Chinese based EMS courier company (whose reputation has gotten better over the past few years). Mine arrived in about 8 days to Australia, but if yours gets delayed for whatever reason, make sure you know somebody who speaks Chinese, as they have no help centres in other countries !

regards
Peter

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2178. Dead Radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-14 00:10:12 UTC
From: Jonathan L. Poland
Topic: 2178 Message: 2178

I am curious what everyone thinks about my situation. I'm sorry if I ask too many questions in a single email...

I bought a DE1103 about five weeks ago. About a week after getting it I lost all AM - soft static nothing else, even on strong local AM stations. I assumed that I had blown the FET front end, so I replaced the FET according to the instructions on this list. I am very experienced w/ soldering and I am confident I made the change correctly. However this did not fix the problem.

While I had the board loose of the case, I was going to add limiting diodes to the front end. However when I got the board free, I discovered that it already had diodes in place.

The radio is all buttoned down again, but IIRC there was an etched label on the board stating that it was version 3.

In addition to all this, I was surprised to see the poor condition of the back of the board. There is some kind of residue all over the back - more than just flux - almost a salt crust, like this had been dropped in the ocean.

1. Has anyone seen anything like this before?
2. Is my radio hopeless or should I be looking for zapped components downstream of the front end FET?
3. Did I really get a brand new radio, or is this a refurbished one?
4. Has anyone tried to get warranty service on this radio and were you successful?

Thanks!

jon

2179. Re: Dead Radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-14 13:31:19 UTC
From: aircheckclover
Topic: 2178 Message: 2179

Jon; Tough situation. Did you buy a Degen from China? Which vendor? Tquchina, from my experience, is a fair seller who will not leave you stranded with a dead unit. But there are additional transportation costs. Have you contacted your vendor?

And I also understand the desire to fix-it-yourself. But if you broke open the case, did you void whatever warranty might have been offered? As for the crust, I've never seen a circuit board covered with white stuff. Doesn't sound right. I have not cracked open my DE1103 as of yet although I know through comparison testing my whip FET is blown. But I also know this FET is only for frequencies above 2000 or 2500 (can't recall where the cutoff from ferrite to whip is). IE, sorry but the ferrite for AM does not rely on the surface-mount FET you replaced.

Is the crust water soluble? If is it salt, salt will retain moisture. Perhaps it has caused component failure or preferably, circuit imbalance. Have you tried rinsing the crust away? (if so, let the radio dry for 24 hrs b4 powerering up again).

On a less radical note, have you tried the reset? Mine has died a few times while changing batteries and the 'reset' fixed the problem.

Good luck,

Mark

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> jon
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2180. Re: [de1103] Re: tqchina still around?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-13 16:19:28 UTC
From: gabriele
Topic: 2172 Message: 2180

mine arrived as sunslf said.... everything ok
also lypn good seller.
gab

----- Original Message -----
From: silva_halide
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2009 3:17 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: tqchina still around?

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2181. Re: [de1103] Re: Dead Radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-14 23:09:04 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 2178 Message: 2181

Concerning the "salt crust", even though I never made such operation it seems logical to try to rinse it and let it dry thoroughly before use. Just to be safe I would use distilled or deionized water for this operation, as tap water has some salt content, low but not negligible if there is a conductivity issue. My only doubt is if some component may not be watertight and be damaged even by distilled water.

Just my two cents

Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

At 10:31 14/05/2009, you wrote:

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2182. Re: aircraft frequencies

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-16 19:50:55 UTC
From: george_kassavetis
Topic: 2169 Message: 2182

Hi Lino,

You should be able to listen to MWARA HF air communications in SSB mode. I listen to airline flights traversing the Pacific ocean in San Diego with the supplied wire antenna on my Degen. These frequencies should work for you (depending on the time of day):

(SAM - SE) South American South Eastern Area
frequencies
3479.0 - 5526.0 - 8855.0 - 10096.0 - 13297.0 - 17907.0
Ground stations
Asuncion, Belem, Brasilia, Buenos Aires, Campo Grande, La Paz, Montevideo, Lima, Porto Alegre, Port Velho, Recife, Salvador, Santa Cruz

(SAT - 1) South Atlantic Area 1
frequencies
3452.0 - 6535.0 - 8861.0 - 13357.0 - 17955.0
Ground stations
Brasilia, Canarias, Cayenne, Dakar, Manaus, Paramaribo, Recife, Rio de Janerio, Sal Island

(SAT 2) South Atlantic Area 2
frequencies
2854.0 - 5565.0 - 11291.0 - 13315.0 - 17955.0
Ground stations
Canarias, Cayenne, Dakar, Manaus, Johannesburg, Paramaribo, Recife, Rio de Janerio, Sal Island

There is a good worldwide coverage map at radioscanner.ru

http://www.radioscanner.ru/avia/maps/hfaero.jpg

George

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "linoalmeida42" <lino-almeida@...> wrote:
>
> Hello SWL people!!!
> How can I receive aircraft frequencies 120/140 mHz.on Degen 1103??What about antenna? I live under aircraft traffic but don´t hear nothing.
> Lino swl 1035 B São Paulo Brasil
>

2183. Re: Any 1103 quality issues?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-16 21:07:42 UTC
From: george_kassavetis
Topic: 2116 Message: 2183

Hi Tom

This is another for what it's worth reply.

I had the same problem with my Degen 1103 (purchased July 2004)
a couple of years ago and it was not intermittent. I stubbornly kept
using it on a daily basis (there was a lot of late night drama
on Art Bell's frequency (3840) and other frequencies around that time)
and after about two months its started to go away. The radio has been
functioning normally for the past year and a half.

Another FWIW: I have only used the batteries that came with the radio
(and they still work well), I only charge inside the radio, I only
use the non-UL listed Chinese transformer and adapter that I ordered
with the radio, the radio is on for about 4-8 hours/day (mostly off
the batteries - the transformer interferes with AM reception), and
the radio is kept in a non-smoke-free environment.

George

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tom Holden VE3MEO" <holden_family@...> wrote:
>
> My 3-4 yr old KA-1103 has had the main tuning/volume rotary encoder go
> increasingly flaky over the last several months. It's now a pain to
> tune, especially SSB/CW, as it jumps back and forth in frequency.
>
> Tom VE3MEO
>

2184. External Antenna input impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-17 11:00:10 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2169 Message: 2184

I have searched this list's archives for an answer to no avail.

Can anybody tell me the input impedance at the external antenna socket
on the DE1103 ?

I ask this because an (end fed) wire antenna usually has an impedance
much greater than 50Ohms requiring a balun to match the impedance.

from here
<http://www.hard-core-dx.com/nordicdx/antenna/feed/magbalun.html> :
"Some receivers have a high impedance input terminal
for random wire inputs- but there are still the
problems of bringing an unshielded wire into the
house."
(for the purpose of my question, the term random wire can just be
replaced by the word 'wire'. A true random wire is designed to be a non
1/2 wavelength of any frequency you want to receive on.)

Some other interesting links

random wire antenna <http://www.kc7nod.20m.com/random_wire.htm>
longwire OR random OR end-fed
<http://www.google.com.au/search?q=%22random+wire%22+OR+%22%27end-fed%22\
+OR+longwire+OR+%22long+wire%22+antenna&sourceid=navclient-ff&ie=UTF-8&r\
lz=1B3GGGL_enAU233AU233>

regards
Peter

2185. Re: [de1103] External Antenna input impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-17 19:07:46 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2169 Message: 2185

Hi. Peter. The manual for my Grundig G5 says that the external antenna jack is designed for a 50-75 ohm antenna such a s a dipole fet with coax. While the manual does not say, I have found out from Eton that the external antenna jack attenuates signals. Since the receiver boards are virtually identical, the KA-1103 is probably the same. I have a KA-1103 as well as the G5, and they perform almost identically on the whip antenna, and on an external 80 meter dipole.

TTYL

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> longwire OR random OR end-fed
> <http://www.google.com.au/search?q=%22random+wire%22+OR+%22%27end-fed%22\
> +OR+longwire+OR+%22long+wire%22+antenna&sourceid=navclient-ff&ie=UTF-8&r\
> lz=1B3GGGL_enAU233AU233>
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> regards
> Peter
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CUL8R

KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell

A Satisfied Sidux Linux user! To get Sidux go to:
www.sidux.com/index.html
"Protect your digital freedom and privacy, eliminate DRM, learn more
at http://www.defectivebydesign.org/what_is_drm"

2186. Re: External Antenna input impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-23 21:29:47 UTC
From: joekir2
Topic: 2169 Message: 2186

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "silva_halide" <forums@...> wrote:
>
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> lz=1B3GGGL_enAU233AU233>
>
> regards
> Peter
>
I'd say it's high, though like you, I haven't seen a definitive spec.
Firstly, there is little difference in plugging a hi z wire into the jack socket and connecting it to the telescopic, which of course is hi Z.
Secondly, my 50 ohm coax fed antenna shows a much lower signal transfer if I plug it into the jack socket than if I connect the tip to the telescopic. Finally, I also have the DE31 from the same manufacturer and they do have high Z outputs and work well into 1103's input. Despite the poor signal transfer, I use the coax fed antenna which has even defeated TV and computer interference on tropical band. Because, it doesn't overload the 1103 much, the performance of this radio with a low noise antenna and occasional use of the attenuator is staggeringly good for the price bracket.

2187. Re: External Antenna input impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-24 04:24:16 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2169 Message: 2187

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "joekir2" <joekir2@...> wrote:
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "silva_halide" forums@ wrote:
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Z.

Thanks Joe.
What you say makes sense. Although I had a look at two schematics that
are actually different (I'm not sure which is the most current and when
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BPF into a FET buffer (Q1) whereas the external antenna enters past a
330Ohm resistor (R105) via a different 4th order BPF into B1 (don't know
what that is) and converted into a buffered & balanced signal using Q7
and Q8.

I haven't dealt much with RF impedance matching before (mainly DC and
Audio applications) but it appears to me that at least on some DE-1103's
the input impedance seen into the external antenna socket is 330Ohm.

regards
Peter

2188. Re: External Antenna input impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-24 10:28:48 UTC
From: ciccionews2004
Topic: 2169 Message: 2188

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "silva_halide" <forums@...> wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "joekir2" <joekir2@> wrote:
> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "silva_halide" forums@ wrote:
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> regards
> Peter
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Hi all,
I have same problem with external input impedance.
In these days I building an external antenna for LF-MW (150k - 1.7M).
In that "ferrite antenna" I want to connect a secondary loop to take signal,but I don't know the impedance of degen and I don't know how to calculate the turns ratio between main loop (loop to connect with variable capacitors)and feeding loop (to connect with external input in Degen)
Below the schematics of my external ferrite antenna.

http://img193.imageshack.us/my.php?image=ferriteantenna.jpg
Sorry for bad drawing....the writen are in italin,but in the left side of drawing says variable capacitors and in the right side says to degen input.

Who can help me?

regards

Ciccio

2189. How to crack Radioexplorer?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-24 12:17:32 UTC
From: ciccionews2004
Topic: 2189 Message: 2189

hi all,
radioexplorer is a great program,but $29.95 are too many for me.
Is possible to crack it?
I know that my request is bad,but..... :-)

http://www.radioexplorer.com.ru/en/

2190. Re: How to crack Radioexplorer?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-24 12:26:44 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2189 Message: 2190

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "ciccionews2004" <ciccionews2004@...>
wrote:
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.....but what ?

A decent amateur shortwave radio costs three times the price you can't
afford (did you steal your radio too ?)

2191. Re: How to crack Radioexplorer?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-24 12:47:21 UTC
From: ciccionews2004
Topic: 2189 Message: 2191

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "silva_halide" <forums@...> wrote:
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if we consider that database is free!!!I think too the cost of the program...

I didn't want to offend anyone!
It's only my opinion!!!

regards

ciccio

2192. Re: [de1103] Re: How to crack Radioexplorer?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-24 13:05:35 UTC
From: Leo78
Topic: 2189 Message: 2192

2009/5/24 ciccionews2004 <ciccionews2004@...>

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http://www.geocities.jp/binewsjp/bia09.txt) with a text editor or excel,
yet.

Leonardo
RadioBlog: http://appuntidx.blogspot.com/

2193. Re: How to crack Radioexplorer?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-24 13:17:54 UTC
From: ciccionews2004
Topic: 2189 Message: 2193

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Leo78 <leo78leo@...> wrote:
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> 2009/5/24 ciccionews2004 <ciccionews2004@...>
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Ciao Leo,
now I using EIBIview is free and is a good program for me.

[ITA]
Ciao Leo,
ho visto che la notte becchi bene radio rebelde...io sto ancora cercando di sentire radio habana cuba.Stasera ci provo di nuovo dalle 23 in poi (ora ita)sui 11770khz...spero prima o poi di riuscire nell'impresa.

Te verso che ora la senti radio habana? e su che frq di recente?

ciao

Ciccio

2194. test?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-27 20:21:53 UTC
From: Leo78
Topic: 2194 Message: 2194

Hi,
just for discussion, has anyone tested this great receiver with serious tabletop receivers feeded with the same antenna?
Any result? For dx stations? (I've posted this message also on dx398 yahoo group, we could have a complete comparison!)

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2195. Re: [de1103] test?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-27 20:28:13 UTC
From: leon Heller
Topic: 2194 Message: 2195

----- Original Message -----
From: Leo78
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2009 9:21 PM
Subject: [de1103] test?

Hi,
just for discussion, has anyone tested this great receiver with serious tabletop receivers feeded with the same antenna?
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I once compared mine using the whip with a friend's Redifon R551N receiver which was using a long wire and antenna tuner. Sensitivity seemed about the same when receiving the same SSB transmissions.

Leon

2196. Re: [de1103] test?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-29 07:20:16 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 2194 Message: 2196

Leo78 wrote:
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> Hi,
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> serious tabletop receivers feeded with the same antenna?
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> --
> Leonardo
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>
I have done A/B tests with the same antenna between my RP2100 and DE1103. In most areas, the De1103 wins as it is simpler to tune. The outboard BFO on the RP2100 is more convenient than the thumb wheel on the DE1103. Sensitivity and selectivity are close, at least to my ears. If the RP2100 had a direct entry keypad, an adjustable ALC and tighter filter options, it would be very close to my ideal tabletop radio under $300.00

On AM, a tuned passive loop is a very good investment. Wind your own with a plastic milk crate, chunk of wall, etc., connect a broadcast band variable capacitor with a Vernier dial and either radio rocks. I'm a few miles west of Seattle and I can regularly receive 660 (station in central Canada), 1700 (San Diego station), and a bucket load of Wyoming, Colorado, Oregon and California stations.

My suggestion for both radios is to run them on fresh battery power and feed them from an outdoor antenna through shielded lead in. An antenna tuner would be a good idea too.

The 1103 receives LF, but there are an awful lot of am broadcast band signals around 400 KHz. I can hear a few beacon station through KOMO 1000 and other out of band stations. I'm looking to find an Elmer to build an LF converter kit for me for better LF reception. With all of the subs up here there is bound to be some interesting stuff.

73,

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM

2197. Re: [de1103] test?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-29 19:30:08 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2194 Message: 2197

Hi. I have compared My Kaito KA-1103 and Grundig G5 to my Kenwood TS-430S (Amateur Radio transceiver with general coverage receive). The TS-430S is both more sensitive and selective than the two portables (using the same antenna). This is to be expected, as the TS-430S ($800.00 when new, more if optional filters are included)is a larger, more expensive radio. The two portables come fairly close in sensitivity, but are not nearly as selective. The portables are more easily overloaded by strong signals.

As I have said before, compairing a $100 to $150 portable receiver to tabletop receivers costing much more is like comparing apples to oranges. The two categories of receivers serve different purposes. The G5, and the KA1103 are excellent in their category of moderately priced and easily portable receivers. They are not made or meant to compete with or replace the more expensive tabletop receivers.

TTYL

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2198. Re: test?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-30 15:20:27 UTC
From: gmcjetpilot
Topic: 2194 Message: 2198

I have done some subjective A : B test with my DE1103. The results are favorable to very impressive.

I compared SW/HF of the 1103 to TenTec RX320D and 4 (MW) AM BCB radios, DX'ing on the 540-1710Khz. I also looked at the FM band.

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Just for (MW) AM BCB DX comparison, it is fine and not good or bad.

I have a bunch of $30-$60 dedicated analog or digital AM radios. Some might be a little better in this band. The issue is the DE/KA1103 is a physically smaller Loop stick. You can of course use a passive coupling to an external loop (Such as a Terk AM advantage). I found the 1103 does not respond as well as some other radios. However it does pick up DX stations, especially coupled to a 9" external loop.

It is still great and the sensitivity and rejection is good. When dealing with weak MW AM BCB that are weak already, its very subjective to which radio is better. The 1103 always seemed to get every station any other radio did.

I would not say its the ultimate in AM radio for DX'ing. I find dedicated AM radios (cheap ones even) are hard to beat. However the 1103 has memory that analog AM radios do not. The accurate digital freq is good. I do have a Sony "boom box" with digital AM tune and it was actually better than the 1103.

The RX320D is a little better on the AM BCB than the 1103 with similar antennas in every way. However the RX320D is almost $400 (not including the PC computer to control it and antenna).

I also tried the amplified loop Degen/Kato (TG39, DE31. TG34, KA33). I used both the loop stick booster/repeater (where you lay the loop booster on the case along back near where the internal loop stick is located).

I also plugged in the TG34 active loop direct into the ext antenna jack. The TG34 is a generic Kaito/Degen antenna. I got it with the 1103 as a package deal on eBay. It seemed to work plugged in direct about the same as the passive method. The TG34 out right with shipping is about $30 and recommend it.

You can couple to the external ANTENNA JACK for MW if you use the trick/hack with scan. Other wise the only way to couple an antenna to the 1103 for MW is with a passive loop/booster. Either way works, but using the direct plug into the 1/8" phone ant jack you don't have to balance a loop stick booster on the case or try and position a loop

near the radio.

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FM RADIO 88-108Mhz - The 1103 FM receiver is VERY good. You may not care about FM, but I hate it when features are thrown into any product to pad the feature list, when they are half baked. The FM radio is excellent I am happy to say.

There is a college FM station one town over that is a challenge for my home stereo to get. The 1103 gets it with out an issue. It also compared to the Sony AM/FM/CD/TAPE boom box FM radio. The Sony AM/FM/CD/Tape Boom box has a VERY good AM radio section by the way (Model CFD-S33).

The only draw back of FM on the 1103, its one small speaker. It is the price you pay for small. It sounds fine, but the sound on headphones is amazing and in stereo of course. As a FM stereo radio on headphones, I say very good to excellent. The Sony has two larger speakers, more audio power (I think 1 watt) and a ported bass enclosure, so of course sound was better with the Sony than the 1103 on speaker. Again headphone on the 1103, amazing.

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For SW/HF I am impressed, sensitivity and selectivity for an sub $100 radio, impressive. It gives radios that cost 5 times a run for the money. Some complain about SSB operation, but some radios costing more don't even have SSB. There is a "clarifier" thumb wheel on the side, and its kind of small. I found all the controls small at first. Once I got my fingers calibrated to it, it was fine. It is best sitting on a table on its slick fold out stand. However I can manipulate the controls holding it in my hand pretty easily now. Because some program modes require two buttons to be held simultaneously that can be a little awkward. However you don't program it all the time.

It does compare to the TenTex RX320D favorably but the RX320D is more radio. If you factor in the size and self contained NiMh battery operation the 1103 is amazing. When it comes to the portability and quality and price, its amazing.

Sure $500 or $800 radios should be better, but not all expensive radios are better than the 1103. Some table top radios are just big, not better. The RX320D needs a computer to control it. However the versatility of the RX320D software makes it far better than a hand held battery portable. You have more control, filters, memory, displays. As far as pure radio performance, the RX320D edges out the 1103, but not by much. It is surprisingly close, but the RX320D is an amazing radio all by it self. So to even be close to the RX320D, I say WOW! I could not be more happy with the 1103 as far as value. It is a keeper.

This is all subjective. If you can get an old copy of PASSPORT 2006 edition, they review the 1103 and RX320D. They don't compare them

head up, they have them in their respective portable and table top categories. You can find a used copy it will give you more specs.

It is almost impossible to put fill your tank twice for less than this radio, so get one. The eBay China dealers are all good. Shipping times will be well over a week, up to two or even more. The wait it worth it. Of course the Kaito is import for USA dealers and the Kaito is the brand name for other markets and what you get on eBay discount usually. It is the same radio. Warranty I did not worry about, and with over a year trouble free operation I am still not worried.

Cheers George

--- In de1103@...m, Leo78 <leo78leo@...> wrote:
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2199. Re: [de1103] Re: test?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-05-30 20:12:51 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2194 Message: 2199

Hi George

Thanks for your impressions, I too have carried out an unscientific and purely subjective test between the 1103 and the RP 2100. On AM both MW and SW I found the RP 2100 had a slight edge over the 1103, sensitivity wise, both radios were about the same but I found that the signal to noise ratio on the RP2100 to be slightly better. When I say slight, I mean so slight it is not worth worrying about.

FM was a different story, I have found the selectivity on the 1103 to be abysmal, the amount of overload from local stations makes the radio all but useless for FM DX. The RP2100 fared slightly better and using the telescopic whip during an FM band opening from Australia, good signals were audible. Using an outdoor three element FM antenna improved things even more on the RP2100 but had little effect on the 1103's performance.

I suspect the 1103's performance on FM would be directly proportional to the number of local FM stations and the proximity to the transmitter. In Christchurch (New Zealand) where I am located, we would have one of the most overly subscribed markets, the city's population is only about 300,000 and we would have at least 15 high power stations and countless low power FM stations. As regards AM, the situation is slightly better we have about nine stations locally, with six of them being within a couple of miles from home. They all don't have their own masts, most would be co sited on the local Christian radio station's mast, I guess the rental would be a good source of income for them.

Regardless of my findings, it is my opinion that the 1103 and the RP2100 for that matter represent really great value for money, when one considers the high cost of a high performance receiver, the Drake R8A (EHam.net are quoting $1060 which would be a second hand price) which came out in the 1980s if my memory serves me correctly as an example, the manufacturers of the 1103 and RP2100 have made major steps forward in making a modestly priced good performance receiver available for the general public. Having said this of course, I bet what has happened has been that now the research and development costs on the technology would have been long since paid back, the prices of today would reflect this, just think of the high cost of a standard VCR or colour TV when they were first introduced.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "gmcjetpilot" <gmcjetpilot@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2009 3:20 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: test?

>I have done some subjective A : B test with my DE1103. The results
> are favorable to very impressive.
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> I compared SW/HF of the 1103 to TenTec RX320D and 4 (MW) AM BCB
> radios, DX'ing on the 540-1710Khz. I also looked at the FM band.
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> *****
> Just for (MW) AM BCB DX comparison, it is fine and not good or bad.
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> I have a bunch of $30-$60 dedicated analog or digital AM radios. Some
> might be a little better in this band. The issue is the DE/KA1103 is
> a physically smaller Loop stick. You can of course use a passive
> coupling to an external loop (Such as a Terk AM advantage). I found
> the 1103 does not respond as well as some other radios. However it
> does pick up DX stations, especially coupled to a 9" external loop.
>
> It is still great and the sensitivity and rejection is good. When
> dealing with weak MW AM BCB that are weak already, its very
> subjective to which radio is better. The 1103 always seemed to get
> every station any other radio did.
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> I would not say its the ultimate in AM radio for DX'ing. I find
> dedicated AM radios (cheap ones even) are hard to beat. However the
> 1103 has memory that analog AM radios do not. The accurate digital
> freq is good. I do have a Sony "boom box" with digital AM tune and it
> was actually better than the 1103.
>
> The RX320D is a little better on the AM BCB than the 1103 with
> similar antennas in every way. However the RX320D is almost $400 (not
> including the PC computer to control it and antenna).
>
> I also tried the amplified loop Degen/Kato (TG39, DE31. TG34, KA33).
> I used both the loop stick booster/repeater (where you lay the loop
> booster on the case along back near where the internal loop stick is
> located).
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> I also plugged in the TG34 active loop direct into the ext antenna
> jack. The TG34 is a generic Kaito/Degen antenna. I got it with the
> 1103 as a package deal on eBay. It seemed to work plugged in direct
> about the same as the passive method. The TG34 out right with
> shipping is about $30 and recommend it.
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> You can couple to the external ANTENNA JACK for MW if you use the
> trick/hack with scan. Other wise the only way to couple an antenna to
> the 1103 for MW is with a passive loop/booster. Either way works, but
> using the direct plug into the 1/8" phone ant jack you don't have to
> balance a loop stick booster on the case or try and position a loop
> near the radio.
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> *****
> FM RADIO 88-108Mhz - The 1103 FM receiver is VERY good. You may not
> care about FM, but I hate it when features are thrown into any
> product to pad the feature list, when they are half baked. The FM
> radio is excellent I am happy to say.
>
> There is a college FM station one town over that is a challenge for
> my home stereo to get. The 1103 gets it with out an issue. It also
> compared to the Sony AM/FM/CD/TAPE boom box FM radio. The Sony
> AM/FM/CD/Tape Boom box has a VERY good AM radio section by the way
> (Model CFD-S33).
>
> The only draw back of FM on the 1103, its one small speaker. It is
> the price you pay for small. It sounds fine, but the sound on
> headphones is amazing and in stereo of course. As a FM stereo radio
> on headphones, I say very good to excellent. The Sony has two larger
> speakers, more audio power (I think 1 watt) and a ported bass
> enclosure, so of course sound was better with the Sony than the 1103
> on speaker. Again headphone on the 1103, amazing.
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> *****
> For SW/HF I am impressed, sensitivity and selectivity for an sub $100
> radio, impressive. It gives radios that cost 5 times a run for the
> money. Some complain about SSB operation, but some radios costing more
> don't even have SSB. There is a "clarifier" thumb wheel on the side,
> and its kind of small. I found all the controls small at first. Once
> I got my fingers calibrated to it, it was fine. It is best sitting on
> a table on its slick fold out stand. However I can manipulate the
> controls holding it in my hand pretty easily now. Because some
> program modes require two buttons to be held simultaneously that can
> be a little awkward. However you don't program it all the time.
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> It does compare to the TenTex RX320D favorably but the RX320D is more
> radio. If you factor in the size and self contained NiMh battery
> operation the 1103 is amazing. When it comes to the portability and
> quality and price, its amazing.
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> Sure $500 or $800 radios should be better, but not all expensive
> radios are better than the 1103. Some table top radios are just big,
> not better. The RX320D needs a computer to control it. However the
> versatility of the RX320D software makes it far better than a hand
> held battery portable. You have more control, filters, memory,
> displays. As far as pure radio performance, the RX320D edges out the
> 1103, but not by much. It is surprisingly close, but the RX320D is an
> amazing radio all by it self. So to even be close to the RX320D, I
> say WOW! I could not be more happy with the 1103 as far as value. It
> is a keeper.
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> This is all subjective. If you can get an old copy of PASSPORT 2006
> edition, they review the 1103 and RX320D. They don't compare them
> head up, they have them in their respective portable and table top
> categories. You can find a used copy it will give you more specs.
>
> It is almost impossible to put fill your tank twice for less than
> this radio, so get one. The eBay China dealers are all good. Shipping
> times will be well over a week, up to two or even more. The wait it
> worth it. Of course the Kaito is import for USA dealers and the Kaito
> is the brand name for other markets and what you get on eBay discount
> usually. It is the same radio. Warranty I did not worry about, and
> with over a year trouble free operation I am still not worried.
>
> Cheers George
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Leo78 <leo78leo@...> wrote:
>>
>> Hi,
>> just for discussion, has anyone tested this great receiver with
>> serious tabletop receivers feeded with the same antenna?
>> Any result? For dx stations? (I've posted this message also on
>> dx398 yahoo group, we could have a complete comparison!)
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>> --
>> Leonardo
>> RadioBlog: http://appuntidx.blogspot.com/
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2200. Photos by legonedijk

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-02 22:19:50 UTC
From: aimo ruoho
Topic: 2200 Message: 2200

Hello, all group members. Nice to meet you!

At last I found this interesting group...

I got interested in legonedik s photos, where there was a nice
looking Loop Antenna.
Would you kindly let me know more about it to make an exact
copy of it, if allowed?

I built a rather same looking Loop using copper tube, but it gives
me very weak signal.

Best Regards to all by amigo Aimo

2201. Re: [de1103] Re: test?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-04 08:28:59 UTC
From: Leo78
Topic: 2194 Message: 2201

Hi,
I've received a la5030 wellbrook. I've tested with sangean ats909 and degen.
With this antenna degen suffer a lot... too much signal... while ats909 is
more reliable.
Hope to find soon a rg58 cable, now I'm using a rg59 and it's not the same
:-)

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Leonardo
RadioBlog: http://appuntidx.blogspot.com/

2202. Re: Photos by legonedijk

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-06 09:34:50 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 2200 Message: 2202

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> me very weak signal.
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> Best Regards to all by amigo Aimo
>
Hi Aimo,

"The gain of a loop is much less than a longwire, but it has much less noise pickup."(source http://www.frontiernet.net/~jadale/Loop.htm)
My loop is a single turn wire in plastic tube. Appr. 3 by 3 feet / 90 by 90 cm).
The variable capacitor is connected to the beginning and the end of the wire.
The pick-up coil is 1 feet / 30 cm in diameter and a massief copperwire.
One side to the inner of the coax and the other side to the shield of the coax.

Hope this helps a little....
Reg.: jan

2203. degen connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-08 19:01:05 UTC
From: linoalmeida42
Topic: 2203 Message: 2203

Hello pals!

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Paulo city and have problems about noise and eletronics interferences.
My antenna is a long wire directly connected to the receiver.
Thanks all.
Lino

2204. DEGEN DE 1103 DX-FM in action

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-08 23:04:11 UTC
From: DXGARRAF
Topic: 2204 Message: 2204

I hope you like that video:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AaxmHv9RRi0

73+DX!! Jordi Brunet

2205. Re: [de1103] degen connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-09 03:39:28 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2203 Message: 2205

Hi Lino. For what reason do you want to connect your Degen DE1103 to a computer? If it is to program the radio, there is no provision for this. You can however connect the line output of the radio to the line input of a computer's sound card. This would allow using the sound card in several ways. You coulsd (with appropriate programs) do some audio filtering of signals, and/or receive fax and digital mode signals.

TTYL

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2206. Re: [de1103] degen connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-09 06:17:24 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2203 Message: 2206

or, go to http://www.audio-tool.net/ and download audio recorder for free which will allow you to record what you here. Unless you use adequate filtering, the only practical use you can put the radio to is recording FM stations.

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: "martin" <kb0hae@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2009 3:39 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] degen connection

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2207. Re: [de1103] degen connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-09 16:09:10 UTC
From: aimo ruoho
Topic: 2203 Message: 2207

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--- El mar, 9/6/09, Paul <format3nz@...> escribió:

De: Paul <format3nz@...>
Asunto: Re: [de1103] degen connection
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: martes, 9 junio, 2009 8:17

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2208. Re: degen connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-10 05:07:26 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 2203 Message: 2208

Nevertheless try this one and it is FREE !
http://audacity.sourceforge.net/

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2209. Re: [de1103] Re: degen connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-10 20:11:23 UTC
From: aimo ruoho
Topic: 2203 Message: 2209

Thank you very much indeed, Knyuen!
Now I only have to learn to use this program...
Best Regards from Aimo.

--- El mié, 10/6/09, knyuen88 <knyuen88@...> escribió:

De: knyuen88 <knyuen88@...>
Asunto: [de1103] Re: degen connection
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: miércoles, 10 junio, 2009 7:07

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2210. Re: degen connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-11 01:47:45 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 2203 Message: 2210

The problem I have had with trying to get a signal from my DE1103 to my computer is the massive amount of noise the computer input adds to the radio. I bought a Signal Link device that was supposed to eliminate common mode rfi, but using that as a bridge device adds even more noise to the radio. I have tried the same technique with my RP2100 as signal source, with the same results.

I'm beginning to think that the only viable solution is an optical link between the radio and the computer.

73,

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM

2211. Re: [de1103] Re: degen connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-11 02:12:08 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2203 Message: 2211

Hi Gordon

Before you experiment with other devices, run a test to see how far you have to be from the computer before the noise diminishes. With my computer running I have to go outside and almost to the end of the drive (about 50 feet) before the noise has gone completely. I am using the same gear as you are.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "Gordon Cooper" <nwlorax@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2009 1:47 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: degen connection

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2212. Re: [de1103] Re: degen connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-11 02:24:04 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 2203 Message: 2212

Paul wrote:
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> Paul
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Dear Paul:

Will try tonight. I have a 30' extension cable for a mini plug. I'll put
the radio outside, then run the line to the computer. Both are on
battery power, by the way.

73,

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM

2213. Re: [de1103] Re: degen connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-11 05:36:15 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2203 Message: 2213

That may work but, if the noise is coming via the wire, you won't be much better off. Others may be able to advise on filters that you could use.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "Gordon Cooper" <nwlorax@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2009 2:24 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: degen connection

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2214. Re: [de1103] Re: degen connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-11 01:12:55 UTC
From: Sudipta Ghose
Topic: 2203 Message: 2214

Aimo,

It is fully featured and very useful software.I use this for recording audio from DX stations. However, you have to install another small programm named "lame" with this Software.

While not in my shack, I use a Creative MP3 recorder instead.

Regards,

SG

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One of those ... ...

2215. Re: [de1103] Re: degen connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-11 01:51:43 UTC
From: Sudipta Ghose
Topic: 2203 Message: 2215

That is very interesting! Please post the details of progresses made
about the optical link.
Regards,
SG

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One of those ... ...

2216. Re: [de1103] Re: degen connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-12 14:59:20 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 2203 Message: 2216

Paul wrote:
> That may work but, if the noise is coming via the wire, you won't be much
> better off. Others may be able to advise on filters that you could use.
>
> Paul
>
I'm ordering a few toroids that, in theory, should be able to eliminate
common mode noise.

73,

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM

2217. Re: test?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-13 00:55:31 UTC
From: n3ham1
Topic: 2194 Message: 2217

I also run a Kenwood TS430 S (two actually), and about a year and a half ago I had a cw contact with a /mm (maritime mobile) out in the Pacific from here in Pennsylvania. I was running 100 watts to a dipole antenna and believe it was 40 meters and on the gray line. After the contact I switched in the 1103 and using my tuner as a preselector he was readable. It was enough for me to believe it would make a nice casual cw qrp rx with some filtering and of course a tx. Jerry.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Leo78 <leo78leo@...> wrote:

>
> Hi,
> I've received a la5030 wellbrook. I've tested with sangean ats909 and degen.
> With this antenna degen suffer a lot... too much signal... while ats909 is
> more reliable.
> Hope to find soon a rg58 cable, now I'm using a rg59 and it's not the same
> :-)
>
>
> --
> Leonardo
> RadioBlog: http://appuntidx.blogspot.com/
>

2218. DE1103 below 76MHz !

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-14 21:44:14 UTC
From: ok_3022
Topic: 2218 Message: 2218

Hi,
as you can see on youtube.com, it is possible to tune DE1103 on FM below 76 MHz to 65 MHz!

Here is the link:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y4QTEyM13Ds

Anybody knows this modification trick?

Mr.OK_3022

2219. Re: DE1103 below 76MHz !

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-16 10:15:51 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2218 Message: 2219

Aha ! I have some answers . I decided to email the poster of that youtube video and they were very responsive and helpful.

I am going to explain what the video poster claims for two reasons. Firstly because I have not tried this out myself, secondly because their reply to me was over a couple of emails and in slightly broken English and I wanted to clarify what they wrote before posting to this list.

Firstly looks can be deceiving. Even though that video shows the display going down to 66.27MHz, the device will only tune down to 71.8MHz (or even 71.0 in some DE1103's), whereas the display continues to decrease, nothing is received/tuned below 71MHz.

The other piece of information is that there is no guarantee that the following method will always work to be able to get down to 71MHz. In fact the information I received suggested that this method will most often not work and that you are lucky if it does ! The poster wrote that "sometimes in some receivers (as a result of accidental bug or during the power reset) in memory cell the DOT emerges (instead of number of cell)." So armed with that information here are some instructions:

1. Somehow cause your DE1103 to display a DOT (period/decimal point ?) in the memory (MEM) number at the top RHS of the LCD. Perhaps by performing a Master Reset or some other unknown method. Note that if you can't get this to happen don't despair because it is unpredictable and perhaps caused by a bug or a faultOnly in some pieces.
2. Press "M/F" and begin manual scanning with the wheel for a long time until "B72.90" or something similar appears
3. Store this frequency for future use so you don't have to get the elusive DOT appearing each time.

Let us know if you have any success with this method ....

regards
Peter

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>
> Mr.OK_3022
>

2221. Re: DE1103 below 76MHz !

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-17 00:56:32 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2218 Message: 2221

Hi folks,

about 10% of my posts to Yahoo discussion groups never make it though, and I have no idea why - very frustrating as I need to retype the entire message.

Anyway I have some information about this apparent capability of the DE1103 to go below 76MHz. I contacted the poster of the youtube vide and they gave me this information (I have not tried it out myself to verify it)

Firstly you should know that even though the display on the video goes down to about 66MHz, the tuner will only receive down to 71.8 (or 71.0) MHz.
Secondly this appears to be related to a bug in some units and you might not be able to get this with your unit.
Here are the steps:

1. The goal is to get a DOT (a period/decimal point ?) displayed in the memory location (MEM) indicator at the top RHS of the DE1103's LCD display. One suggested way to achieve this is to Perform a Master Reset of your DE1103. If that doesn't work then I really have no other suggestions for you !
2. Once the DOT appears, press M/F and begin manually scaning with the wheel for a long time until "B72.90" or something similar appears.
3. Store the frequency into memory for later retrieval. I assume once it is in memory you don't need to ge tthe DOT to appear again each time.

Let us know if you manage to reproduce this on your DE1103 !

regards
Peter

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2223. Apologies for the multiple posts

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-17 03:32:37 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2223 Message: 2223

Dear list,

Yahoo groups has inconsistent behaviour which resulted in an excessive number of replies to the last topic getting through.

Only 1 out of 4 of those replies actually came back to me as an email leading me to believe that the remaining 3 replies never got to the list.

Sorry for the inconvenience.

regards
Peter

2224. Re: [de1103] Re: Photos by legonedijk

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-20 20:48:32 UTC
From: aimo ruoho
Topic: 2200 Message: 2224

THANK you very much legonedijk!
I really appreciate your answering my question.
Nice to see so much interesting material about Loops.

I received the DE 1103 from Hong Kong 16th of June.
It cost me USD 45,60 ,which was the offer by eBay + 22,00
for handling and mailing.

The very small handbook doesn t tell me, how to go to LW
frequencies (under 300 kHz) or the "in-between" channels.
Do you know how to do this trick?

I have not tried to connect any external antennas to it, because
I read about the possibility of destroying the 1st FET (?) by doing it.
Would any types of 2 common diodes prevent the shock?

Best Regards from Aimo, Torrevieja, Alicante province, Spain.

--- El sáb, 6/6/09, legonedijk <legonedijk@yahoo.com> escribió:

De: legonedijk <legonedijk@...>
Asunto: [de1103] Re: Photos by legonedijk
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: sábado, 6 junio, 2009 11:34

--- In de1103@yahoogroups. com, aimo ruoho <aimounto@.. .> wrote:
>
> Hello, all group members. Nice to meet you!
>
> At last I found this interesting group...
>
> I got interested in legonedik s photos, where there was a nice
> looking Loop Antenna.
> Would you kindly let me know more about it to make an exact
> copy of it, if allowed?
>
> I built a rather same looking Loop using copper tube, but it gives
> me very weak signal.
>
> Best Regards to all by amigo Aimo
>
Hi Aimo,

"The gain of a loop is much less than a longwire, but it has much less noise
pickup."(source http://www.frontier net.net/~ jadale/Loop. htm)
My loop is a single turn wire in plastic tube. Appr. 3 by 3 feet / 90 by 90 cm).
The variable capacitor is connected to the beginning and the end of the wire.

The pick-up coil is 1 feet / 30 cm in diameter and a massief copperwire.
One side to the inner of the coax and the other side to the shield of the coax.

Hope this helps a little....
Reg.: jan

2225. Re: Photos by legonedijk

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-21 08:17:15 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 2200 Message: 2225

Hi Aimo,

Nice price....USD 45,60+22,00.
I had to pay 120□ ex. handling from a seller
here in the Netherlands.
After all, I love the radio but not the seller...

"In-between" channels or low frequencies can be set directly.
For example: select 150 using the small buttons.....than the "BAND +" button.....thats all.

About the diodes....i don't know.

Reg.: jan

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> Best Regards from Aimo, Torrevieja, Alicante province, Spain.
>

2226. Re: Photos by legonedijk

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-21 08:26:12 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 2200 Message: 2226

http://f1.grp.yahoofs.com/v1/gOg9Sp7sw9p8LJ6hsoQ_J6-X7eUSpcg44zQHwcM4uCVo4lsQptJIUZMCzjlnIKNNLxJtlUhK_T4MddP0p4_kuuJvrFq1Nk_F6g/antistatic.pdf

2227. Re: [de1103] Re: Photos by legonedijk

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-21 08:29:06 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2200 Message: 2227

Hi Aimo - I think you'll find that all 1103's over the past couple of years have a tiny "add-on" board with 2 diodes back-to-back from the telescopic antenna to earth. The normal antenna input on the side feeds tuned circuits and attenuators, so I guess they aren't needed there.
Bob.

From: legonedijk <legonedijk@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, 21 June, 2009 6:17:15 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Photos by legonedijk

Hi Aimo,

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here in the Netherlands.
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>

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2228. Re: [de1103] Re: Photos by legonedijk

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-21 21:35:55 UTC
From: aimo ruoho
Topic: 2200 Message: 2228

Thanks a lot, legonedijk!
It worked immediately.
I did not see anything in the small "handbook" about it.
Thanks again and best regards from the retired Finn in Spain.

--- El dom, 21/6/09, legonedijk <legonedijk@...> escribió:

De: legonedijk <legonedijk@...>
Asunto: [de1103] Re: Photos by legonedijk
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: domingo, 21 junio, 2009 10:17

Hi Aimo,

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here in the Netherlands.
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> Best Regards from Aimo, Torrevieja, Alicante province, Spain.
>

2229. Re: [de1103] Re: Photos by legonedijk

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-21 21:41:42 UTC
From: aimo ruoho
Topic: 2200 Message: 2229

Thanks a lot, Bob!
Nice in deed, that you bothered to email me about this.
I have to study more the files part of this group, I guess.
Best Rregards to you, Bob, from Aimo living in Spain.

--- El dom, 21/6/09, Bob Yorston <bobyorston@...> escribió:

De: Bob Yorston <bobyorston@yahoo.com.au>
Asunto: Re: [de1103] Re: Photos by legonedijk
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: domingo, 21 junio, 2009 10:29

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Reg.: jan

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2231. Re: Photos by legonedijk

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-22 14:03:05 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 2200 Message: 2231

Hi Aimo,

In the "Files" section of this group you will find:
"DE1103-Manual.pdf". File number 15 from top.
Read page 8, section 5 "Tuning".

I don't know what I did wrong but a direct link is
in this case not possible.

The best regards from a not retired Dutchman in Holland... or is it the Netherlands...

Reg.: jan

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2232. Re: [de1103] Re: Photos by legonedijk

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-22 19:06:37 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2200 Message: 2232

http://f1.grp.yahoofs.com/v1/sNQ_SqBGhVPUiPikNy2LfTMOL7TkrtyQOuEQP8W54WS2NX939wfPKMZjhWQaSaA2_Q3ahqWmi84JV1Wb_G6ladvX85W6x0d4/DE1103-Manual.pdf
----- Original Message -----
From: "legonedijk" <legonedijk@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, June 22, 2009 11:48 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Photos by legonedijk

> In the files section of this group is a .pdf file called
> "user manual DE1103".
> See page 8, section 5 "Tuning".
> Direct link:
> http://f1.grp.yahoofs.com/v1/MGQ_SnwYaPH5BfX9DN82JPek18wrttsPThiC09nlY3tloajbsTcY9emHENkaCxjOny12GbOW9WDy9QHNKSrs-o40g94N3JXwFw/DE1103-Manual.pdf
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> Reg.: jan
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2233. Re: [de1103] Re: Photos by legonedijk

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-22 19:11:15 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2200 Message: 2233

oops sent the previous message by mistake, the link provided didn't work, so try this one:

http://f1.grp.yahoofs.com/v1/sNQ_SqBGhVPUiPikNy2LfTMOL7TkrtyQOuEQP8W54WS2NX939wfPKMZjhWQaSaA2_Q3ahqWmi84JV1Wb_G6ladvX85W6x0d4/DE1103-Manual.pdf

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Paul

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> Reg.: jan
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2234. DE1103 manual links

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-22 23:31:31 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2200 Message: 2234

Paul, that link sent below was invalid. here
<http://f1.grp.yahoofs.com/v1/8AxASsn-E87-ErtCdyrWEOYUZeoWtB-6tcLLbPz-a4\
X1ruaC8ub940gXcGmLmgu-RvXJvCg17fhSsiOE_6e2dYJt-V3lbQHnBt6P/DE1103-Manual\
.pdf> is the correct link.

However having written that, I think this one
<http://www.ccrane.com/instruction-manuals/kaito-ka1103-radio.pdf> is
a better manual.

Peter
regards

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul" <format3nz@...> wrote:
>
> oops sent the previous message by mistake, the link provided didn't
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> try this one:
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> and paste the entire link rather than clicking on it.
>
> Paul
>

2235. Links to Yahoo pages don't work because ....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-23 14:11:39 UTC
From: aircheckl over
Topic: 2235 Message: 2235

Hi Everyone;

FYI - quoting links to Yahoo Group pages generally does not work.
Why? Yahoo pages have "soft" URL's which are changed every couple hours. This is why a link will work one day and not the next. Best way to direct someone to a Yahoo Group file might be, for example, to quote the URL to a specific folder, then name the file to click on ...

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/Preamp%20FET%20Replacement/
and click on the files named "FET_2.jpg"

Hope that helps since Yahoo is so confusing.

-Mark

2236. Re: [de1103] DE1103 manual links

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-23 20:11:48 UTC
From: aimo ruoho
Topic: 2200 Message: 2236

Well!
"here" did not work at all! - "this one" gave the original
Handbook pictures with texts. At least I received that
with my one-week-old DE 1103. The package cost me
USD 67,60 straight from HongKong through eBay post
paid...They had forgotten to include the guarantee card,
but for the low price, I would not care less! Perhaps I
will buy another, but of a different colour?

For months I used to read about this small "wonder"
for a receiver with interest, but could not believe all that
had been written... It probably is not a DX-receiver, but
beats with its sound my TEN-TEC RX340. With a few
tricks it might even catch some low-powered stations?

I have not tested it with an external antenna yet in fear
of burning the RF FET.

Is it really true, that its sensitivity can be so low in uV:s?
The handbook gives < 20 uV, but some DXers claim
1uV or better on SW. Whom to believe?

Best Regards from a Finnish DXer living in Spain.
73 de Aimo

--- El mar, 23/6/09, silva_halide <forums@...> escribió:

De: silva_halide <forums@...>
Asunto: [de1103] DE1103 manual links
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: martes, 23 junio, 2009 1:31

Paul, that link sent below was invalid. here is the correct link.

However having written that, I think this one is a better manual.

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regards

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> Paul
>

2237. Re: [de1103] Re: Photos by legonedijk

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-23 20:28:22 UTC
From: aimo ruoho
Topic: 2200 Message: 2237

Thanks a lot, Mi Amigo Holandes!
We call and know best your country in our
Finnish language as "Hollanti"...We also
use sometimes the international name:
"Alankomaat" (Nederland). Your stamps
seem to use the latter term though.

I finally found the right place from my own
handbook also.

Thanks again and 73 de amigo Aimo!

--- El lun, 22/6/09, legonedijk <legonedijk@...> escribió:

De: legonedijk <legonedijk@...>
Asunto: [de1103] Re: Photos by legonedijk
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: lunes, 22 junio, 2009 4:03

Hi Aimo,

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2238. Re: Photos by legonedijk

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-06-27 13:11:03 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 2200 Message: 2238

Hi Aimo,

Thanks for all the info.

You wrote also that you will buy a second 1103.
That is a good thing to do....one for experiments.

I was capable to recieve weather HF-Fax/Navtex with the 1103
using a mini windom antenna/RF-systems.
The line-out from the 1103 connected to the line-in/soundcard
of the desktop computer and using a program to decoded.

The 1103 is a nice, cheap little receiver.

Reg.: jan

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, aimo ruoho <aimounto@...> wrote:
>
> Thanks a lot, Mi Amigo Holandes!
> We call and know best your country in our
> Finnish language as "Hollanti"...We also
> use sometimes the international name:
> "Alankomaat" (Nederland). Your stamps
> seem to use the latter term though.
>
> I finally found the right place from my own
> handbook also.
>
> Thanks again and 73 de amigo Aimo!

2239. New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-08 13:56:38 UTC
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343 Message: 2239

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the de1103
group.

File : /favswfreqs2.odt
Uploaded by : kb0hae1 <kb0hae@...>
Description : List of English broadcasts that can be heard in the U.S A.

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/favswfreqs2.odt

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/l/us/yahoo/groups/original/general.htmlfiles

Regards,

kb0hae1 <kb0hae@...>

2240. Re: [de1103] New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-08 18:04:36 UTC
From: aimo ruoho
Topic: 343 Message: 2240

Thanks for your list!

I wonder, why R.France has been deleted from the list?
Would you kindly give me an answer, please?

Aimo Ruoho, a veteran DXer from Finland, spending his retired days in Spain.

--- El mié, 8/7/09, de1103@yahoogroups.com <de1103@yahoogroups.com> escribió:

De: de1103@yahoogroups.com <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Asunto: [de1103] New file uploaded to de1103
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: miércoles, 8 julio, 2009 3:56

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kb0hae1 <kb0hae@mchsi. com>

2241. Re: New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-11 12:06:41 UTC
From: kb0hae1
Topic: 343 Message: 2241

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> De: de1103@yahoogroups.com <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
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2242. Re: [de1103] Re: New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-11 20:47:06 UTC
From: aimo ruoho
Topic: 343 Message: 2242

Thank you!

I think, that you made your motive as clear as you possibly could.
It just seemed so unfair to me to learn, that you deleted R.F.
I would not have noticed or even thought about it without you yourself
having mentioned it. That made me think, that perhaps you have had
earlier in your life bad experiences with either Radio France or French
people. That would explain this discrimination to my old brains...

Thank you again for your rapid responce.

Au revoir, Aimo ton ami (?).

--- El sáb, 11/7/09, kb0hae1 <kb0hae@...> escribió:

De: kb0hae1 <kb0hae@...>
Asunto: [de1103] Re: New file uploaded to de1103
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Fecha: sábado, 11 julio, 2009 2:06

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2243. DE1103 CURRENT FRECUENCY VALUE TO PC

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-13 17:53:11 UTC
From: notareallyreal
Topic: 2243 Message: 2243

Hello !
I would like to read current frequency value to PC (RS232).
Has anyone any ideas for this or have you heard/read that someone has already done it ?
Perhaps from Display unit ?

For FM DXing I am already reading RDS information from DE1103 to PC.
I am using RDSDX-program:
http://home.scarlet.be/~wijnherm/rdsdxabout.htm
with decoder-hardware:
http://home.scarlet.be/~wijnherm/barnabas.htm

It would be quite nice atleast read frequency values from DE1103.

BR

2244. almost no reception using ANT connector

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-19 15:22:19 UTC
From: p_czapski
Topic: 2244 Message: 2244

Hello folks,

I am new to this group. My name is Pawel, SP5REG, from Poland.

There is some malfunction to my DE1103 that I cannot figure it out. Using whip antenna shortwave reception is fine, but when I connect antenna through ANT the radio is almost deaf. So I have opened the radio and seems that ANT connector soldering is fine. Is it that NM-139 (IC-6) got spoiled so it must be replaced? However, when I connect my roof antenna with the whip then radio reception is fine.

BTW. When opening the radio I have noticed brown cable going from around C224 place to nowhere. Probably it got cut while opening the radio. Any idea where does it have to go?

Regards,
Pawel, SP5REG

2245. Re: [de1103] Disappointed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-24 15:48:42 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2244 Message: 2245

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2246. Re: [de1103] Disappointed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-25 07:50:58 UTC
From: Dr Gabriele Mazzantini
Topic: 2244 Message: 2246

here in Italy we have several sites talking about degen, sangean etc... look in google for degen de1033.
gabriele

----- Original Message -----
From: martin
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, July 24, 2009 5:48 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Disappointed

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2247. Re: Disappointed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-24 20:34:39 UTC
From: rcmchayes
Topic: 2244 Message: 2247

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2248. new swl license

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-25 13:40:45 UTC
From: Dr Gabriele Mazzantini
Topic: 2248 Message: 2248

I am pleased to announce that today i am also known as I0160PI, swl italian license.
gabriele

2249. Re: Disappointed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-25 20:36:07 UTC
From: aircheckclover
Topic: 2244 Message: 2249

Martin - have you tried http://www.radiointel.com/
Lots of reviews from a couple sources.
And eham.com for lots of reviews from several sources.

-Mark

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2250. Re: [de1103] Re: Disappointed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-25 22:02:33 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2244 Message: 2250

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TTYL

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Q. What's the difference between Batman and Bill Gates?
A. When Batman fought the Penguin, he won.

2251. Re: [de1103] Re: Disappointed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-26 00:51:37 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2244 Message: 2251

A further problem is that many of the reviews available on different
websites are copy and paste jobs that have appeared on other sites.

I found out about the 1103 after reading a review on the 1102 that appeared
in a DX club magazine.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "martin" <kb0hae@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 26, 2009 10:02 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Disappointed

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2252. Re: [de1103] new swl license

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-26 03:59:05 UTC
From: Bill Planck
Topic: 2248 Message: 2252

Is a license required to be an SWL?
Bill

On Sat, Jul 25, 2009 at 6:40 AM, Dr Gabriele Mazzantini <
gabrielegae@...> wrote:

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2253. Re: new swl license

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-26 04:38:31 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2248 Message: 2253

Congratulations Gabriele.

As per Bill's post I assume you are referring to a transmitting license rather than just a listening license. (As I too thought that SWL means "ShortWave Listening")

regards
Peter

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2254. Re: [de1103] new swl license

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-26 05:13:42 UTC
From: Charles Andes
Topic: 2248 Message: 2254

Not in the USA. Must be that other countries want to keep track.

--- bill.k9kz@gmail.com wrote:

From: Bill Planck <bill.k9kz@gmail.com>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] new swl license
Date: Sat, 25 Jul 2009 20:59:05 -0700

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2255. Re: [de1103] Re: Disappointed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-26 03:25:16 UTC
From: Pete Nalda
Topic: 2244 Message: 2255

On Jul 25, 2009, at 5:02 PM, martin wrote:

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It's not a website but I would suggest you pick up a copy of the 2009
edition of Passport to World Band Radio. Very well done chapters on
how to choose a radio and then reviews of all the different models.
Eton, Degen, and Kaito models are all well represented. plus there's
nice information about SW and geographical interest stories as well.
Worth every penny.

Egun On, Lagunak! (Basque for G'day, Mates)
Pete Nalda
http://www.myspace.com/musikonalda

2256. Re: [de1103] new swl license

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-26 06:10:24 UTC
From: Dr Gabriele Mazzantini
Topic: 2248 Message: 2256

ok maybe "license" is not the proper word, maybe "authorization" is better. In Italy with a sample request and aftre some research from postal national service you can obtain an id for listening (yes swl is short wave listening).
To listen is correct, the only thing everybody needs is a receiving device as our great degen. But to send and receive QSL cards to HAM station ad to subscribe to National Radio Associations (like ARI) or to acces to International IARU QSL Bureau you must have an id, at least a sample swl id.
So guys go on! Let's listen to 7050-7100 with degen and external wire ant, first step to HAM license.

2257. Re: [de1103] Re: new swl license

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-26 10:53:25 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2248 Message: 2257

Hi Peter

SWL does mean short wave listening

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: "silva_halide" <forums@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 26, 2009 4:38 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: new swl license

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2258. Re: new swl license

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-26 13:14:19 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2248 Message: 2258

Hi Paul,

I live in Sydney, Australia and the concept of requiring a license to listen to Shortwave radio is very foreign to me . The only non-public communications I have come across so far with my DE1103 is a pre-recorded weather message from our local airport.

Police radio went to encrypted digital ages ago here in Sydney so I can't think why people listening to Shortwave in Sydney need to obtain a license to prove they are somehow a responsible citizen. In countries where people require licenses for SWL what kind of programme content is your government ensuring you are qualified to listen to ?

regards
Peter

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2259. re disappointed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-26 15:13:47 UTC
From: Jose Guerra
Topic: 2259 Message: 2259

Maybe it's time one of our group rose to the challenge and rewrite some receiver reviews and tap out an introductory article for new SWLers in the 21st century.

Joe

2260. Re: [de1103] Re: new swl license Peter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-26 19:31:38 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2260 Message: 2260

Hi Peter

In New Zealand where I am, no licensing for receiving is needed, there was once a radio licence everyone with a radio had to have but this was discontinued in the 70s. It wasn't until 2000 that the government abolished the Broadcasting Fee (TV Licence). As far as the Ham licence is concerned, a licence is required, it used to cost $6 a year then went up to $49 for the year and then a couple of years ago, the fee was abandoned completely. The justification the government gave for the increase in the fee was the amount of administration in other words policing the service that was needed. The counter argument from the hams was that the amateur service was self policing and that the increase was unwarranted.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: silva_halide
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2009 1:14 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: new swl license

Hi Paul,

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Police radio went to encrypted digital ages ago here in Sydney so I can't think why people listening to Shortwave in Sydney need to obtain a license to prove they are somehow a responsible citizen. In countries where people require licenses for SWL what kind of programme content is your government ensuring you are qualified to listen to ?

regards
Peter

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul" <format3nz@...> wrote:
>
> Hi Peter
>
> SWL does mean short wave listening
>
> Paul

2261. Re: [de1103] Re: new swl license Peter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-26 20:04:51 UTC
From: Charles Andes
Topic: 2260 Message: 2261

The amateur radio service is justified to provide, in the case of emergency, qualified and trained operators and equipment. Many examples can be cited where amateurs were the only emergency communication sevice available. Today, with many 12VDC and battery operated equipment it is even more available for emergencies.

Perhaps you are not aware, in the case of emergency especially when life or death may result, you are fully autherized to operate any equipment on any frequency or power level as necessary to resolve the situation. Never hesitate! I have modified several equipments to operate on other bands outside of amateur radio.

In an emergency, Morse code may well save a life, perhaps yours. I encourage you to learn it even at one word per minute. Get your boy scout merit badge or whatever will get you to learn the code.

Long live amateur radio!

--- format3nz@gmail.com wrote:

From: "Paul" <format3nz@gmail.com>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: new swl license Peter
Date: Mon, 27 Jul 2009 07:31:38 +1200

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2262. Re: [de1103] Re: new swl license Peter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-26 21:14:03 UTC
From: Bill Planck
Topic: 2260 Message: 2262

On Sun, Jul 26, 2009 at 1:04 PM, Charles Andes <pappyiii@...>wrote:

>
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>

Yeah right.
Bill

2263. Re: [de1103] Re: new swl license

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-26 22:24:25 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2248 Message: 2263

Hi Guys. I am not aware of any country that requires a license or permit to listen to Shortwave at present. There used to be SWL clubs that that would issue a number to members. I am not sure if that is what the original poster meant. No specific type ID is needed to send a reception report to get a QSL card. The station you want to QSL from will need your name and address.

Many hams now use eQsl (www.eqsl.cc)to send and receive electronic QSL cards to each other. It is much quicker, and less expensive.
However, an SWL cannot used the eQsl site. In adition, many Shortwave broadcasters do not ask for or reply to reception reports.

TTYL

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> regards
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2264. new swl license Answer to Martin

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-27 07:59:10 UTC
From: Dr Gabriele Mazzantini
Topic: 2264 Message: 2264

To martin: in italy is the national postal and telecommunication service the only organization authorized to give swl id because transmission in air is still restricted to national service as primary use and in some case authorized to third party, often paying a fee (in example radio station). In italy you subscribe to asso aftre having a swl id in most cases... is not the rule but most important assos do.
Surely i can tell you a low says that is forbidden to anyone else different from postal service to release codes and is forbidden to ear frequencies of services. We can only ear hamateur frequencies that are written in another law.

2265. Re: new swl license to Silvia

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-27 08:09:47 UTC
From: Dr Gabriele Mazzantini
Topic: 2265 Message: 2265

Silvia, here in italy too most of service are cripted and out of our degen range but state taught to leave himself the power to come back. You can figure that in italy AIR is stil property of the state that give you in some sense authorization to use it... In simple words i must beware of memories in degen not to put forbidden frequencies on it, is forbidden and in lot of cases penal.

2266. Illegal SW frequencies

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-27 08:53:56 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2265 Message: 2266

In how many other countries is it illegal for a member of the public to listen to certain SW frequencies ? What is the government afraid of you hearing ? Police frequencies with unencrypted conversations ?

To the best of my knowledge it isn't illegal in Australia to listen to any SW frequency.

regards
Peter

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Dr Gabriele Mazzantini" <gabrielegae@...> wrote:
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2267. Re: [de1103] Illegal SW frequencies

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-27 08:57:10 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2265 Message: 2267

The same in New Zealand but, there are regulations about passing on certain information heard to a third party for example police broadcasts.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "silva_halide" <forums@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2009 8:53 PM
Subject: [de1103] Illegal SW frequencies

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2268. Re: new swl to martin (eqsl)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-27 08:31:31 UTC
From: Dr Gabriele Mazzantini
Topic: 2268 Message: 2268

About eqsl.cc
Just registered, the system accepted my national swl id..... and i suppose also other swl id because there is a radio button to switch on swl before registering.
gab

Marconi was Italian..... lol

2269. Re: [de1103] Illegal SW frequencies

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-27 09:14:11 UTC
From: Dr Gabriele Mazzantini
Topic: 2265 Message: 2269

Peter, silly as you want but that is..... the authorization (and the Italian Code of Telecommunicqtions) clearly specify "only HAM ferquencies"
HAm have an exam, an authorization to put rtx station, and annual fee.
11meeters have an authorization and a fee
marine vhf have an authorization and a fee
PMR have a fee but free use, no author
Swl is free but authorization recommended and requestible, fee not due from 2003 if i rmembre well.
Is like you request the use to the owner, always.....
I dont think they are afraid of something simply they retain a right to ask for fee.
gab

----- Original Message -----
From: silva_halide
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2009 10:53 AM
Subject: [de1103] Illegal SW frequencies

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regards
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2270. Re: new swl license

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-27 13:03:35 UTC
From: aircheck lover
Topic: 2248 Message: 2270

Congrats I016OPI !!

FYI - Another association issuing callsigns is SWARL.org
SWARL stands for ShortWave Amateur Radio Listening

"Devoted to Short Wave Listeners primarily interested in monitoring the Ham Bands and participating as SWL's in the various Ham Contests. Open to all SWL's and Hams. Secondly shortwave broadcasts and even AM radio logging and other related subjects with in the radio hobby."

They have a Yahoo group too.

Mark

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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Dr Gabriele Mazzantini" <gabrielegae@...> wrote:
>
> I am pleased to announce that today i am also known as I0160PI, swl italian license.
> gabriele
>

2271. Re: [de1103] re disappointed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-28 01:57:11 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2259 Message: 2271

Hi Guys. I have added a page about selecting an SW receiver on my web
site at :
http://home.mchsi.com/~kb0hae/index.htm
Let me know what you think.

TTYL

Jose Guerra wrote:
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>
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>

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2272. Re: Photos by legonedijk

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-30 11:49:57 UTC
From: joekir2
Topic: 2200 Message: 2272

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, aimo ruoho <aimounto@...> wrote:
>
> THANK you very much legonedijk!
> I really appreciate your answering my question.
> Nice to see so much interesting material about Loops.
>
> I received the DE 1103 from Hong Kong 16th of June.
> It cost me USD 45,60 ,which was the offer by eBay + 22,00
> for handling and mailing.
>
> The very small handbook doesn t tell me, how to go to LW
> frequencies (under 300 kHz) or the "in-between" channels.
> Do you know how to do this trick?
>
> I have not tried to connect any external antennas to it, because
> I read about the possibility of destroying the 1st FET (?) by doing it.
> Would any types of 2 common diodes prevent the shock?
>
> Best Regards from Aimo, Torrevieja, Alicante province, Spain.
>
> --- El sáb, 6/6/09, legonedijk <legonedijk@...> escribió:
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>
> De: legonedijk <legonedijk@...>
> Asunto: [de1103] Re: Photos by legonedijk
> Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Fecha: sábado, 6 junio, 2009 11:34
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups. com, aimo ruoho <aimounto@ .> wrote:
> >
> > Hello, all group members. Nice to meet you!
> >
> > At last I found this interesting group...
> >
> > I got interested in legonedik s photos, where there was a nice
> > looking Loop Antenna.
> > Would you kindly let me know more about it to make an exact
> > copy of it, if allowed?

> >
> > I built a rather same looking Loop using copper tube, but it gives
> > me very weak signal.
> >
> > Best Regards to all by amigo Aimo
> >
> Hi Aimo,
>
> "The gain of a loop is much less than a longwire, but it has much less noise
pickup."(source http://www.frontier net.net/~ jadale/Loop. htm)
> My loop is a single turn wire in plastic tube. Appr. 3 by 3 feet / 90 by 90 cm).
> The variable capacitor is connected to the beginning and the end of the wire.
> The pick-up coil is 1 feet / 30 cm in diameter and a massief copperwire.
> One side to the inner of the coax and the other side to the shield of the coax.
>
> Hope this helps a little....
> Reg.: jan
>
Hi, no need to worry about an external antenna if it's a new one.They now have diodes to protec the FETs. I've connected 100 metre wires and a full size T2FD to mine and the performance is incredible! Of course, you must use an ATU as the Degen does not have switched bandpass filters or preselector, but for $50, I'm impressed to say the least!

2273. WebSDR.....for fun and DX...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-07-31 13:37:20 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 2273 Message: 2273

http://websdr.ewi.utwente.nl:8901/

2274. Degen 1103 vs 1102

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-03 18:58:24 UTC
From: lundstrom
Topic: 2274 Message: 2274

Hello friends!

What is the differense between these both models except from the outside?
Wich one is performing best?

Thanks!

Johan.DX:er in Sweden

2275. Re: [de1103] Degen 1103 vs 1102

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-03 22:13:55 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2274 Message: 2275

Hi Johan. I do not own both receivers right now, but I used to own the KA1102 and at the same time I had my Grundig G5. I now own a KA1103 as well as the G5. Side by side the performance of the G5 and KA1103 is identical. I did compare the KA1102 and the G5. See my review of the Gr here:
http://home.mchsi.com/~kb0hae/index.htm
Of the three, the G5 is the easiest to program. Programming a lot of frequencies into the KA1102, and KA1103 is a bit tedious, but not difficult. The G5 and KA1103 are definitely a little more sensitive and selective than the KA1102.

The KA1103 has more memories (256). On the KA1102, the BFO (SSB) only works for memories stored in page 9 (there are 10 pages of 19 memories each). You can listen to SSB/CW stations that are not in memories, as long as the radio is set to page 9. Page 7 can only be used for FM broadcast stations, and [age 8 can only be used for AM/MW broadcast stations The KA1103 does not have memory pages, and all of its memories are capable of storing any frequency/mode the radio is capable of.

The KA1102 also has a problem with its BFO on higher frequencies. There is a noticeable warble when listening to SSB/CW signals above about 15Mhz.

The ATS function of the KA1102 works on all modes/bands. The KA1103 has this function for FM broadcast band only.

For the small price difference between the KA1102 and KA1103, I would say get the KA1103. Of course the same holds true for the DE1102 and DE1103, as they are the same radios as the KA1102 and KA1103.

I suggest that you read all of the reviews that you can find, and read the manuals for both radios before making a decision. The eHam web site has quite a few reviews of both radios.

TTYL

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2276. Re: [de1103] Degen 1103 vs 1102

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-04 07:26:26 UTC
From: lundstrom
Topic: 2274 Message: 2276

Hello again!

Thanks for Your awnser!!
It will be the 1103 for me as a complement to my ICOM IC R-70.

Best wishes from Sweden!

Johan :-)

2277. Re: Disappointed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-05 00:12:51 UTC
From: gmcjetpilot
Topic: 2244 Message: 2277

With the internet, google, user groups or yahoo groups like this one and others, there is no excuse for a newbie not logging on and saying HELP. I was out of radios for +25 years and just go back into them last few years. That is what I did and how I found the DE1103. I first bought a TenTec RX320D based on research and got a used one on the ebay (which is rare since people hold on to them).

Yes many things change, but be glad that new radio models are being made. Sadly some good ones are out of production. No doubt cost to make them and market drives that, as well as new technology. I know a guy who makes aircraft "glass" instruments for experimental aircraft. What happens is manufactures of key vendor components say they are not making that display or chip any more. This forces manufacturers of electronics to discontinue models, like it or not.

I appreciate your comment but there is no excuse about not having enough info available. Look at the date of the article. If it is over a year old it is out of date.

PASSPORT is a good annual book. You can get used ones on Amazon for a few bucks. Even a used one a year or two or three old is OK since it has so much back ground info and logic on how they review these radios. It really helps in general knowledge and shows you all kinds of models. You may really desire a used out of production radio more than a new offering. The Grundig S800 and Sony ICF-SW7700 are examples of good radios out of production.

However I think a KA/DE1103 has room in almost any radio collection. especially for the $90 or so.

Right now I am a NEWBIE all over again. I am restoring old TUBE radios. This is a whole new world to me. With out the Internet I would be lost. It really is helping me with my understanding of RF circuits and of course tubes which always have fascinated me. I am re-capping them, aligning them and making some very nice sound with them. The point to point wiring and no IC chips and big IF cans and tuning coils really makes it easy to see what you are doing.

So old info is valuable even if it is only for being historical.

Cheers

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, martin <kb0hae@...> wrote:
>
> In looking around on the Internet, it is disappointing to see that
> almost all of the web pages devoted to helping a new (or aspiring) SWL
> are so outdated. All of such pages that I have found so far are qt
> least four years old, and thus make no mention of the Kaito
> KA1103/Degen DE1103, the KA/DE1102, the Eton E5, or Grundig G5. These
> radios are clearly (in my opinion) some of the best
> value-for-the-money Shortwave receivers made today.
>

> Yes, there are web sites that review these radios, but the articles on
> choosing SW receivers that I have seen all are out of date, and some
> even recommend receivers that are no longer available (except used of
> course).
>
> Maybe I will have to write my own page. I am not new to SWLing, but
> it would be nice to have someplace to point interested parties that
> was more up to date. If anyone knows of an up to date web page on
> sellcting a shortwave receiver, I would appreciate if if you could
> point me to it.
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> TTYL
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> --
> CUL8R
>
> KBOHAE

2278. Re: [de1103] Re: Disappointed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-05 04:47:11 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2244 Message: 2278

Hi. Yes there is some good info on the internet about the radios, and
even some good info about selecting radios, but my comment was that
the recommendations (for discontinued radios) and the price categories
are out of date. I have written a page for my web site about
selecting a radio. I will be keeping it up to date.

TTYL

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2279. Re: Degen 1103 vs 1102

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-08 14:37:50 UTC
From: gmcjetpilot
Topic: 2274 Message: 2279

One is a 1102 and the other is a 1103 so it is one better..... ha ha,

Sorry I could not resist. The 1103 is the way to go. At first i was kind of turned off by the *big* band and freq display, but I love it. It is nice to see where you are in the spectrum.

The 1101 and 1102 are both highly rated. The 1102 I think is a little bigger in size. For what it is worth the Passport rating of the three Radios are:

Degen 1101 - 2.875 stars
Degen 1102 - 3 stars
Degen 1103 - 2.875 stars

The 1103 gets dinged in reviews for ergonomics. The big complaint is the tune/mem/volume/set scroll tune knob does 4 things. To set volume you have to push VOL and set level and than it goes back into default tune. The quality of the controls are top notch, including the tune dial. I find it took some getting use to but it is no big deal. You set the volume and 99% of the time you tune the radio. I really like it.

I think radio wise the 1103 is hands down a winner. I guess if you are a giant with gigantic hands with little dexterity in your finger tips (or wear gloves) the small size of the 1103 might frustrate some. I think the 1101 and 1102 have separate dedicated Vol controls which is a big deal to some reviewers. To me it is no big dial. Performance wise 1103 all the way.

big band and freq display - Nothing is BIG on this radio but SOUND and reception. It has small display, small labels and small buttons. It takes a little getting use to it, but I LOVE HOW SMALL IT IS. I Can put it in bag and take it on a trip. To help manipulate the controls setting it up on a table with its built in stand really makes it easy to handle. With the SW/FM antenna out, which is quite long relative to the small chassis body, you have to watch where you swing the long antenna. None of this is a draw back just the design of being so small.

Last is if you want AM or MW with the internal antenna it is not going to be the best performer, good but not best. Again it has to use a smaller loop stick. I doubt the 1102 is much better. I use external tuned LOOP antennas (both passive and amplified magnetic). Still the small size means the internal antenna is smaller. I looked into the technical data and how they tune the antenna circuit is top notch and very clever. If all I did was MW DX'ing this would not be my first choice. Again it is very very good and does everything well, including stereo FM (with good headset) and of course SW/HF. For the price you can not lose. I have about 20 radios, and if I could only have one protable, the 1103 was my only radio, I would be happy.

Cheers

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, lundstrom <lundstrom.1@...> wrote:
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2280. Have any of you used the FM radio on your DE1103? WOW!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-08 14:57:56 UTC
From: gmcjetpilot
Topic: 2280 Message: 2280

Have any of you used the FM radio on your DE1103? WOW!

I don't listen to FM on my DE1103 much, but when I did, I was blown away.

First for stereo you need a headset of course. I have a bunch of typical high end "ear buds", but I plugged in my Sinnheiser HD 280 Pro full cover head set. WOW the FM stereo is so spacious.

Second is sensitivity. I went to FMFool.com and got all the stations from my address: 19 near, 29 mid and 18 fringe. They list them in dB power not just distance because of other factors (power, antenna height, terrain, etc).

THE SENSITIVITY IS SO GOOD IT BLOWS MY MIND. I got most of the fringe stations in my house on the first floor with just the whip!

The weakest or fringe stations of the 66 stations is a 49KW station 120.9 miles and a 100 watt school station 33 miles. I get that station and most all of the stations including fringe stations. That is impressive.

GIVE YOUR DE1103 FM A TRY.....

2281. Re: Have any of you used the FM radio on your DE1103? WOW!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-08 15:58:55 UTC
From: gmcjetpilot
Topic: 2280 Message: 2281

Correction, I stated I was getting a station 120.9 miles away, but it was another closer station, 100KW at 57 miles, FMFOOL.com did not list. I used radio-locator.com and found the close station. I should have waited for the station ID.

Anyway, the point is the FM on the 1103 is pretty darn good. I can get stations in the +50 and +60 mile range inside the house with the whip antenna. Local stations with a high quality full headset, the stereo sound is amazing. Cheers

2282. Re: [de1103] Have any of you used the FM radio on your DE1103? WOW!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-09 04:47:39 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2280 Message: 2282

Hi. I have used the FM on my KA1103. Its pretty impressive. What I nlike best is the selectivity. Its far better than the two high end stereo receivers we have. both of them are totally overloaded by the 50KW station whose antenna is about 1/3 mile away as the crow flies.

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2283. Re: [de1103] Have any of you used the FM radio on your DE1103? WOW!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-09 05:37:44 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2280 Message: 2283

Hi

Performance on the 1103 on FM and other radios for that matter depends entirely on location, I have found performance on FM to be extremely poor, as regards selectivity, I would ask what selectivity?

In an area where there are a number of moderate to high power FM stations the 1103 is subject to considerable overloading, it matters not if an external directional antenna is connected, the result is the same.

My RedSun RP2100 on the other hand is not subject to overloading with the external antenna and out performs the 1103 by a country mile.

Paul
Christchurch New Zealand

----- Original Message -----
From: "martin" <kb0hae@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 09, 2009 4:47 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Have any of you used the FM radio on your DE1103? WOW!

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2285. Re: Have any of you used the FM radio on your DE1103? WOW!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-10 13:41:53 UTC
From: aircheckclover
Topic: 2280 Message: 2285

Good thread. For fun I just grabbed my 1103 & 2100 (Redsun) for a shootout. Both virtually identical performance here in a high-RF area: BAD !!! (images, de-sensing, intermod distortion, etc.)

But not to worry - RF around here is so bad every FM radio I've owned - including car radios - dies under these circumstances. Only exceptions have been the Grundig Sat 500 & 700 and a McIntosh MR78 (hardly portable) - and even these radios struggle w/ de-sensing & overload.

I've had both the 2100 & 1103 in the country miles away from transmitters and both have been impressive as heck.

In town the whip on both radios is never pulled out. Keeping the antennas short acts as RF gain. Both radios need gain reduction to give clean local plus up to about 50 mile radius ability.

Mark in Milwaukee

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2286. DE1103 FM-filter modification for better selectivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-11 07:11:26 UTC
From: notareallyreal
Topic: 2286 Message: 2286

Hi folks !
I am planning to change FM-filters.
I suppose that the existing filters are 180 kHz.
New filters could be:
Murata SFE10.7MJA 150 kHz or
Murata SFE10.7MHY 110 kHz or
Murata SFE10.7MTE 80 kHz
If you have done the modification,
what filters (combination) have you found best ?
I dont want to make selectivity too tight because it effects to RDS-signal reception (MPX-output).

BR

2287. Re: [de1103] DE1103 FM-filter modification for better selectivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-11 09:56:32 UTC
From: OK_3022
Topic: 2286 Message: 2287

Hi,

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I can highly recommend the modification as the DE1103
thereafter is able to receive more station then before.

Jan
(Mr.OK)

--- On Tue, 8/11/09, notareallyreal <not_a_real@...> wrote:

From: notareallyreal <not_a_real@...>
Subject: [de1103] DE1103 FM-filter modification for better selectivity
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Date: Tuesday, August 11, 2009, 7:11 AM

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2288. CC Radio-2 Review Posted On Radiointel

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-12 11:56:20 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2286 Message: 2288

http://www.radiointel.com/review-ccrane_ccr2.htm

A two-parter by Russ Johnson (Part 1) and yours truly (Part 2).

Jay Allen

2289. de1103 below 76 mhz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-13 13:55:42 UTC
From: Romulo Alves
Topic: 2289 Message: 2289

Bom dia, acessando o youtube observei um video no qual o de1103 esta sintonizando as frequencias abaixo de 76 mhz em Fm , alguem sabe e pode me dar informação de como fazer essa alteracao no de1103??grato se nao me engano o link do video e o seguinte
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y4QTEyM13Ds

Veja quais são os assuntos do momento no Yahoo! +Buscados
http://br.maisbuscados.yahoo.com

2290. Re: re disappointed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-13 15:01:10 UTC
From: george_kassavetis
Topic: 2259 Message: 2290

Martin,

I think your short article is great and would be useful for someone interested in purchasing a shortwave radio for the first time (or for the first time since the de1102 came out). The question is how would someone find your site? You could conceivably get it listed in AC6V.com. Rod Dinkins died last year but his son is still maintaining the site.

Other comments
The radio reviews were good.
I am going to make one of your antenna reels. Great idea.
I think Radio Moscow or Havana has a lot less propaganda than most of our local radio stations. Voice of Korea would be a better example and it is a lot more entertaining (funny) to listen to.
The DE1103 is currently $75 shipped from Liypn or Tquchina on ebay.

George

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2291. Re: [de1103] Re: re disappointed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-13 17:35:14 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2259 Message: 2291

Hi George. Thank you for your comments. I will be considering them.

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2292. Re: de1103 below 76 mhz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-13 21:06:39 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2289 Message: 2292

Greetings Romulo,

I answered your question here
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/message/2219> .

regards
Peter

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Romulo Alves <romulocalves@...> wrote:

Translation:
<http://translate.google.com.au/translate_t#auto%7Cen%7CBom%20dia%2C%20a\
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2293. How to calibrate the frequency display?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-16 20:24:09 UTC
From: norsk4488
Topic: 2293 Message: 2293

Hello all. Although I don't have the KA1103 I do have the almost identical twin which is the Eton E5. While the exterior design is quite different the internals are I believe the same.

I have just received my Eton E5 and the display is always off by 1 kHz. I hate to send this back since I got a really good price on it and I believe that there is likely a very simply trimmer adjustment that can correct this very easily.

If anyone can clue me in about how to do this please post up.

TIA.

Bill

2294. Re: [de1103] DE1103 FM-filter modification for better selectivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-17 07:40:41 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 2286 Message: 2294

OK_3022 wrote:
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2295. Degen DE 1103 in FM tropo DX

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-17 09:57:15 UTC
From: DXGARRAF
Topic: 2295 Message: 2295

Hi, another video about DX-FM from Pic del Martell, Garraf-Sitges, Catalonia, Spain:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zqvs43l-2v8

With tropo propagation on Mediterranean sea, a lot of italian FM stations and 2 FM from Algeria were presents, the DEGEN DE 1103 is updated with narrow filtrers 50-110 KHz, 73+DX!!!Jordi Brunet

2296. Re: DE1103 FM-filter modification for better selectivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-17 10:46:00 UTC
From: Jara
Topic: 2286 Message: 2296

> How do you see the RDS signal? Is there an outboard display somewhere
> out there for the 1103? An RDS and the 150 KHz filter sound like a
> winning combination!
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Hi Gordon,

2x 150kHz IF filters is good for RDS, it is not problem.
You must built output from FM demodulator for external RDS decoder with TDA7330 and use software RDSDX!

It work very good. I use it too!

Best regards, Jara "Rat" Czech republic, EU

2297. Re: How to calibrate the frequency display?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-17 10:46:23 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2293 Message: 2297

I recommend you send it back. A few posters have had this issue but most E5/G5/DE103's are fine in this regard. A friend of mine got a used E5 cheap and it had a frequency offset of 2 KHz. Since there is no service literature available I told him I couldnt' align it for him but he asked me to try anyway since he had little to lose.

So I tried but I could not get it any closer without sacrificing perfomrance so I ended up setting it back to where it was. Without service literature there's no way to determine if a simple alignment could fix it or if the problem is deeper, such as an out of spec IF filter, in which case no adustment could make it right.

I know it's pain exchanging the radio...but you'll be happier when you get one that's right..it's worth it.

Jay

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> Bill
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2298. Re: How to calibrate the frequency display?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-17 19:29:46 UTC
From: norsk4488
Topic: 2293 Message: 2298

Hello Jay...

Thanks for the quick response.
Yes I just got off the phone with Eton, and they too said send it back to the retailer. The only bad thing (retailer will even pay for return shipping..very goog) is that they have no more new units in stock..so I guess I might be buying a Kaito KA1103 (Degen DE1103) from someone else....

The radio is usable and I only paid 70$ for it. But in SSB mode it is annoying.

Thanks again!
Bill

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jallenhartford2000" <jaypolicow@...> wrote:
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2299. Filter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-18 10:59:33 UTC
From: jonesr_99
Topic: 2299 Message: 2299

There has been several postings about changing the filters for better FM selectivity, has anyone done this for AM? specifically for CW?

R. Jones

2300. Re: How to calibrate the frequency display?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-18 20:01:26 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2293 Message: 2300

In that case perhaps they'd issue a refund? I would think they would have to. The G5 is still readily available, such as through Amazon and several other reputable retailers. But don't wait too long...they are out of production.

Jay
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2301. Re: How to calibrate the frequency display?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-23 20:37:44 UTC
From: norsk4488
Topic: 2293 Message: 2301

To follow up contacted the retailer and they are giving me a credit of 30$ USD and allowing me to keep the unit. It is very usable and that problem is the only one actually. So I only ended up paying under 40$ including shipping. I'm satisfied with that. The warranty is still good as well.

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2302. DE1103 sold on Ebay as new with USA 1yr warranty..is that possible?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-24 03:05:32 UTC
From: norsk4488
Topic: 2302 Message: 2302

I recently was scanning Ebay and came across a seller that is claiming that the radio he is selling comes with a 1yr warranty. The reason I question this is because I thought only the Kaito KA1103 came with a warranty in the USA. Since the Degen brand is not distributed here..
Anyone know what the story is? Lots of people would be interested. I am looking to by a 1103 pretty soon.

2303. Re: DE1103 sold on Ebay as new with USA 1yr warranty..is that possible?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-24 09:57:28 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2302 Message: 2303

Most of the Chinese products do come with their 1 year warranties but the problem is that this warranty does not cover the cost of return shipping. So for relatively expensive radios the warranty is protection for you but with an inexpensive radio it will end up costing you so much to ship it for repalcement that it may not be worth it. Even when the sellers go the extra mile and pay to ship the second item to you, you will still pay about $30 to return your radio, so for radios under, say $75 total it is not worth taking advantage of.

This is one of the risks of buying from China, but the upside is that QC has been reasonably good from Tecsun and Degen. I have bought well over 40 radios this way and have had two bad ones.

Jay

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2304. Re: DE1103 sold on Ebay as new with USA 1yr warranty..is that possible?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-25 05:55:32 UTC
From: norsk4488
Topic: 2302 Message: 2304

Hello Jay...

I like hearing other's experiences with such things. I know that the seller on Ebay I am referring to indicated that the 1yr warranty will be handled from Illinois, USA. Whatever that means. So I guess all one would have to do is pay shipping to Ill? Right?

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Bill

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2305. Re: DE1103 sold on Ebay as new with USA 1yr warranty..is that possible?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-25 10:08:13 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2302 Message: 2305

Bill,

That's intersting...I haven't heard of a US seller selling the DE-1103's with a US wrranty...why don't you share the link to this sale so we can see it. Perhaps I'll pick up a spare if the price is reasonable.

In terms of performance I can verify from personal comparisons of several units of each that they should all perform identically... there were a few improvements to the DE1103's over the years but the changes were fairly subtle and recent DE1103's perform identically to E5/G5's except for the feature diffrences. I even have a very early DE-1103 and it is not that different.

And they shoudl all be very sensitive...in fact the most sensitive radios on ALL bands in this size...I've never compared any other portable near this size and price that matched them for RF performance overall.

You say your E5 "doesn't seem as sensitive"...as what?

Jay

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2306. Re: DE1103 sold on Ebay as new with USA 1yr warranty..is that possible?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-25 12:46:29 UTC
From: ppasteur
Topic: 2302 Message: 2306

Heloo Bill,
Would you care to share with us where you goot the E5 for $39 shipped? I know that the are discontinued, and I have a couple of 1103s, but for that price it would about be a no brainer for me to pick up one of the E5s.

Phil

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2308. Re: DE1103 sold on Ebay as new with USA 1yr warranty..is that possible?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-25 17:17:19 UTC
From: ppasteur
Topic: 2302 Message: 2308

For anyone that saw my mesage about an E5 for $62 deleivered, Ignore it (I have now deleted it, but dealing with Yahoo...who knows). After going back and reading the fine print, I found that I ordered an E10. A nice radio, I have two. Not that spectacular a price though. I have asked that the order be canceled. Sorry for any confusion that I may have caused!

Phil

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2310. Using the DE1103 with a VHF converter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-08-30 20:03:29 UTC
From: oz7aff
Topic: 2310 Message: 2310

Hello

Have anybody tried to use the 1103
together with a converter like this one ?

http://electroschematics.com/70/vhf-am-converter/

2311. Degen died

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-09-02 11:40:24 UTC
From: ian.campbell99
Topic: 2311 Message: 2311

My Degen 1103 seems to have died. It won't power on or respond to any of the buttons. I have done a reset - no good. It didn't respond to that at all and it didn't even change the clock setting. I then took the batteries out and left it for 3 days. Put in a set of freshly charged batteries but still no response. The clock went to 0:00 and then started going but not the radio. I can't even set the clock anyway. Several more resets had no effect. The wall wart I was supplied with can't be used here in Australia because it is for foreign sockets. I will have to get a converter and try that.

Has anyone got any ideas what I can do to revive the 1103?

2312. Re: Degen died

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-09-03 09:13:50 UTC
From: bruce69abcd
Topic: 2311 Message: 2312

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "ian.campbell99" <ian.campbell99@...> wrote:
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2313. Re: [de1103] Re: Degen died

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-09-03 18:07:19 UTC
From: Vladimir Duk
Topic: 2311 Message: 2313

Hello,

It happened to me a year ago, after a couple of months of humid weather.
I left it without its 4 batteries for about 12 hours, and it went to
life again when, after that, I placed the batteries inside it again
and turned it on.

73!

Vladimir PP5VU

On Thu, Sep 3, 2009 at 6:13 AM, bruce69abcd<mailshotb@...> wrote:
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2314. Re: [de1103] Re: Degen died

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-09-03 18:37:30 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2311 Message: 2314

Hi - I got interested in this one - grabbed the circuit - no lithium backup battery or anything like it - no fuses or anything - first - I assume that one has measured that there is actually voltage coming out of the charger? Unless C804, 470uF, on the output of Z53, a 7530 voltage regulator, has decided to go short-circuit, which would be most odd! As I don't know where to find those components - except adjacent to the microprocessor - I would be tempted to leave the charger switched on for a day or so - possibly checking that voltage is coming out of the DC Input Socket, and onto the board - and then hit the reset again.
I'm sorry - you have my sympathy - just can't see any other reason why!
Bob.

From: bruce69abcd <mailshotb@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, 3 September, 2009 7:13:50 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Degen died

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2315. Re: Degen died

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-09-05 20:52:34 UTC
From: norsk4488
Topic: 2311 Message: 2315

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2316. New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-09-07 19:59:48 UTC
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343 Message: 2316

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the de1103
group.

File : /Preselector/Read Me.txt
Uploaded by : oz7aff <Max_Jens@...>
Description : Info about what is used.

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/Preselector/Read%20Me.txt

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/l/us/yahoo/groups/original/general.htmlfiles

Regards,

oz7aff <Max_Jens@...>

2317. Preselector for the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-09-07 20:04:28 UTC
From: oz7aff
Topic: 2317 Message: 2317

Hello

I have build at Preselector for the DE1103, and as almost any wideband reciever it does it good. I can recomend using such a thing when one is listning on shortwave. It reduce overload problems and a lot of noise.

I have made a folder under FILES

The folder name is Preselector and there you will find a description of the project.

Best regards

Max

2318. Re: Degen died

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-09-10 07:37:10 UTC
From: bruce69abcd
Topic: 2311 Message: 2318

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "norsk4488" <norsk4488@...> wrote:
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>

Well, I've tried the suggestions and no joy - its def. dead! I also took the back off just for a peek - very tidy in the unit I must say, but no disconnected wires and no obvious burnt out areas or capacitors.

Oh well, off to ebay it will go - perfect condition, box, etc. so hopefully I'll raise some of the funds to replace it. This hasnt put me off the DE1103, just need to put it in hand luggage rather than trust a shipping company!

Thanks to everyone who's come up with ideas.

2320. DE1103 Reduced Audio Using Narrow Filter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-09-12 01:27:35 UTC
From: hassenfritz
Topic: 2320 Message: 2320

I just recently purchased a Degen DE1103 and have noticed that sometimes when I switch in the narrow filter the audio goes almost silent. If a signal is in the passband it becomes almost impossible to hear. Turning up the volume does little good. This condition is with the whip antenna. I haven't tried an external antenna with the set to date. Has anyone else experienced this problem? Is it an alignment issue or what is causing it?

Thanks in advance!
Steve Hassenfritz
N0GWC

2321. Re: [de1103] DE1103 Reduced Audio Using Narrow Filter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-09-12 19:02:02 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2320 Message: 2321

Hi. Steve. I do not have any such problem with my Kaito KA1103. All that happens when I switch from wide to narrow filter setting is that the audio loses some of its higher frequency components.

Sounds like you have a problem, possibly with the filter, or the alignment of the radio. You might try tuning up or down 1 or 2 Khz and see if that helps.

TTYL

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2322. Re: DE1103 Reduced Audio Using Narrow Filter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-09-15 03:29:24 UTC
From: kitsaplorax
Topic: 2320 Message: 2322

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "hassenfritz" <srh1950@...> wrote:
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Dear Steve:

That shouldn't happen. Try a reset, and if that fails, I would suggest returning the unit, should that be a cost effective solution. If not, and you happen to have an old style audio equalizer, you could run the 1103 output through the equalizer and roll off the high frequencies.

I listen to a lot of am dx, and have decided to purchase an outboard audio dsp filter and a second passive tuned loop to clean up some of the heterodynes, hash from all of the ethernet boxes in the neighborhood and null some of the stronger pest stations. The 1103, IMHO, is an excellent base platform for many applications.

73

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM

2323. Re: Impressions on new Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-09-20 10:24:09 UTC
From: ian.campbell99
Topic: 1589 Message: 2323

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "ian.campbell99" <ian.campbell99@...> wrote:
>
> I have a 1103 purchased in Dec 07 from Australian Auctions on Ebay.
> The serial is A1004702. I kept the box but don't see any label on it.
>
> Ian
My 1103 has recently died so I opened the case. The circuit board has 1103- MKIV on it.
Presumably that makes it a Mark 4 for what that is worth.

2324. Re: Impressions on new Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-09-20 18:22:32 UTC
From: aimounto
Topic: 1589 Message: 2324

Hello World!

This discussion of DE1103 serial numbers and production dates has been very interesting.

So I examined my box, but found no date information.

Interesting enough is that although I bought my receiver this summer, the serial number is so low, A015058! Perhaps the Chinese eBay seller has had old stock receivers, or the numbers really are of no importance here?

The receiver was undoubtedly nonused and in perfect condition.

I have 3 SONYs and one TEN-TEC RX340 plus 10 other receivers, but this is more modern technique and therefore a real small wonder, to say the least!

I have no doubts any more, why both GRUNDIG and SONY have thrown the towel... The Chinese win hands down!

Congratulations to all happy DE1103-owners!

Aimo

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "pphilbro" <pphilbro@...> wrote:
>
> Hi all,
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> The label with the date was loose inside the box, and I almost
> overlooked it. It is about 4cm by 2cm with white and black with blue
> printing that looks as if it is from a rubber stamp. the printing is
> in three rows, in my case:
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> DE1103
> 08 01 04
> (3)
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> Regards,
> Paul
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2325. Re: Degen died and rose again

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-07 19:26:35 UTC
From: ian.campbell99
Topic: 2311 Message: 2325

After trying everything I gave up on the Degen. I left it on the shelf with no batteries in for a month. Yesterday I put a set of batteries in and it came on. The buttons weren't responding but the radio started playing. I couldn't get it to switch off so I took the batteries out and then put it in again. I did a couple of resets and it improved but still worked erratically. Left it overnight with the batteries in and now it appears to be working ok. Don't know how long it will stay like that but it is ok now.

Ian

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2326. Re: Degen died and rose again

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-11 20:52:47 UTC
From: norsk4488
Topic: 2311 Message: 2326

Hello Ian..

Glad to hear your 1103 has decided to mysteriously return to life....

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Bill

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2327. Re: [de1103] Re: Degen died and rose again

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-11 22:33:06 UTC
From: SteveH
Topic: 2311 Message: 2327
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

These radios seem a little temperamental. I had mine running on the AC adapter (w/o batteries in it) and then when I installed the batteries it would not turn on. I let it sit for a couple of days and installed the batteries after charging them outside the radio and it works again... :) I believe that your comment about letting it stand for awhile until all charge has drained is what allows the uC to be reset and made operable again.

Cheers!
SteveH

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Reply-to: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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Subject: [de1103] Re: Degen died and rose again
Date: Sun, 11 Oct 2009 20:52:47 -0000

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2329. 12 hours clock format

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-12 03:23:47 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 2329 Message: 2329

How to reset the clock format from 24 hours to 12 hours format?
Thanks in advance.

2330. Unmuting the 1103.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-12 08:29:56 UTC
From: bobyorston
Topic: 2330 Message: 2330

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2331. Re: [de1103] Unmuting the 1103.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-12 09:24:16 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2330 Message: 2331

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2332. Re: [de1103] Unmuting the 1103.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-12 10:06:39 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2330 Message: 2332

Looking closer at the circuit, maybe the same thing can be done by connecting 100K from TA2057N pin 9 to either pin 6 (VCC) or pin 8 (GND). This would only involve taking the back off the set, or am I completely on the wrong track in regard to the operation of that part of the TA2057N?
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2333. Re: Degen died and rose again

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-12 12:09:19 UTC
From: ian.campbell99
Topic: 2311 Message: 2333

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2334. Re: Degen died and rose again

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-18 01:36:11 UTC
From: norsk4488
Topic: 2311 Message: 2334

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2335. Re: Degen died and rose again

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-18 08:02:38 UTC
From: ian.campbell99
Topic: 2311 Message: 2335

The Degen has come good again of its own accord. I left it for about a week without the batteries then put them back in this morning. Lo and behold it started working again. It still had all the stored stations but had lost the time. Next time it fails I will try your remedy and see what happens. I have lost all faith in this radio's reliability and am sure it will fail again soon.

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2336. Problem with new DE1103, continuous tone across AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-18 20:09:11 UTC
From: pennine56
Topic: 2336 Message: 2336

Hello

I wonder if anyone has come across ths problem and possible solution.

I bought a new Degen DE1103 from a well regarded Hong Kong supplier via eBay (I live in UK).

Serial number in battery compartment AI 102516

It worked fine for the first day but now has a loud continuous whistle type tone across the entire AM band when not in SSB with built in aerial. This gets louder at some frequencies but there all the time. Reset has no effect and no electrical items in my house causing it as other shortwave radios both analogue and synthesized don't show it.

I'd estimate the tone frequency to be about 500 - 1000 Hz

Two sets of brand new batteries tried and also on mains.

I'm an electronics engineer so can fix eg dry joints loose connections if know where to look.

Neither the seller or Degen support on website have replied to my query after a week. In principle a 1 yr guarantee but sending back to seller would cost half the radio's value so would rather fix myself if possible.

Thanks for any insight and for your time.

with regards
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UK

2337. Re: Degen died and rose again

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-20 00:04:13 UTC
From: ian.campbell99
Topic: 2311 Message: 2337

Bill

The degen died again so I tried your remedy. When I put the batteries back in, it would power on with the volume at 40 but would not respond to any buttons. You couldn't change the volume, station or anything. The time would change sometimes but not often. I then did a reset with batteries in and it would no longer work. Pressing the power on made the time blink but you couldn't change the time nor would it power on. I have repeated the treatment with long resets while the batteries are out but it is still the same. I will give it another rest however I am pessimistic - I don't think this radio will ever be completely right again. Chinese quality still has a way to go or at least this example of a Degen does.

Ian

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "ian.campbell99" <ian.campbell99@...> wrote:
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> The Degen has come good again of its own accord. I left it for about a week without the batteries then put them back in this morning. Lo and behold it started working again. It still had all the stored stations but had lost the time. Next time it fails I will try your remedy and see what happens. I have lost all faith in this radio's reliability and am sure it will fail again soon.
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "norsk4488" <norsk4488@> wrote:
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> > Since the unit is now dead once again lets try an experiment...removing the batteries and AC so there is no external juice going to the unit insert a paper clip into the reset access and hold it down for about 5 seconds Then reinsert the paper cliip and depress the reset button once again. Then reinsert batts into the unit. Anything now? Get back to us.
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2338. Re: Problem with new DE1103, continuous tone across AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-20 02:16:37 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 2336 Message: 2338

Why not take the DE1103 outside (preferably miles away from home) and see if it is the radio's internal problem or due to external interferences somewhere arround your neighborhood.
On the otherhand replace the betteries will known brand new ones and see if the batteries are the cause.
Furthermore will the whistles disappear:
1. When using the ear phone instead of the speaker?
2. Hooked up the line output to an external amphifier?

Hope it helps.

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2339. Re: [de1103] Problem with new DE1103, continuous tone across AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-20 19:45:57 UTC
From: juliocsrs
Topic: 2336 Message: 2339

Hello,
It seems that your SSB BFO (beat oscillator for SSB demodulation) is runing even if you do not turn it on.
As it operates in 455kHz and may cause interferences like you informed. It is only a insight.

Good Luck.
Julio.

Em 18/10/2009 18:09, pennine56 < pennine56@... > escreveu:

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2340. Re: [de1103] Re: Degen died and rose again

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-20 20:01:54 UTC
From: juliocsrs
Topic: 2311 Message: 2340

Hello,
Do you have some instrumentation like multimeter, osciloscope or frequecy counter?

Should be importat to check the voltages, wave forms, leakages of capacitors, devidation of values of components, following the schematic, in the followings points:
-CPU Xtal clock oscillator (X801)
-Main voltages +B
-Voltages around the dc/dc converter (T401 / D7 - zener 12V)
-Output Voltages of voltage regulators
-Voltage on + pins of ICs

Another constant source of problems are the electrolytic capacitors, if possible test all them.

The ceramic capacitors around the CPU Xtal clock oscillator (C801 / 802) or even the Xtal clock (X801) could be the problem also.

I have my DE1103 for 1 month, luckily it works fine (so far).

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Em 12/10/2009 09:09, ian.campbell99 < ian.campbell99@... > escreveu:

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2341. Re: Problem with new DE1103, continuous tone across AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-21 18:08:39 UTC
From: pennine56
Topic: 2336 Message: 2341

Hello

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My suspicion is that there's some sort of unwanted local oscillation occurring somewhere in the circuits.

If the ribbon cable was longer I could probably try running when split open and probing with an insulator to try and see if any localised problem eg dry joint, failing component etc.

I have had the radio fully open and inspected boards under strong lens and nothing obvious although the quality of some of the soldering in this example looks poorly done, so maybe a partial short circuit somewhere could be a cause.

regards
Ian

2342. Re: Problem with new DE1103, continuous tone across AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-22 07:25:59 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 2336 Message: 2342

Since the de1103 worked fine the first day, another possibility is when u tried to learn different operation procedure/options u may mess-up the CPU functions. Try RESET (or even removing the batteries from the set) before starting other time consumptive trouble shootings afterwords.
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2343. Re: Problem with new DE1103, continuous tone across AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-22 10:03:03 UTC
From: pennine56
Topic: 2336 Message: 2343

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Hi

Unfortunately reset didn't have any effect when tried a few times over some days.

I did try switching off electrics off in house but tone still there. Other shortwave radios owned both analogue and synthesized don't seem to suffer from it.

If the Degen is super sensitive to some local interference that other SW radios aren't, unfortunately it won't be much use to me. I live in fairly typical housing estate with no very near industry so don't think there's anything out of the usual in the area.

Thanks for the help and suggestions.

regards
Ian

2344. Re: Degen died and rose again

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-22 11:24:43 UTC
From: ian.campbell99
Topic: 2311 Message: 2344

Hi Julio

Thanks for the advice. I don't have the necessary skills to do testing to the level you suggest. Currently the radio is working after trying Bill's treatment of 5 second reset with no batteries followed by another reset. I remain sceptical as to whether it will continue working.

Ian

2345. Re: Problem with new DE1103, continuous tone across AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-22 17:08:02 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 2336 Message: 2345

Even if other GOOD shortwave receivers shown no such symptoms but due to circuit differences DE1103 may behave differently.
Sure it cannot rule out the problem(s) is due to defected components inside. Yet hope for the best it can either be an external interference problem or u did mess up those CPU command sequences.
In short, suggest try whatever approaches before taking the set apart for trouble shootings. Working against those SMC-surface mount components-- even with sophisticated equipments and expertise are definitively not worth the efforts.

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> If the Degen is super sensitive to some local interference that other SW radios aren't, unfortunately it won't be much use to me. I live in fairly typical housing estate with no very near industry so don't think there's anything out of the usual in the area.
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> Thanks for the help and suggestions.
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> regards
> Ian
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2346. Buying Degen 1103 in China

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-25 09:22:08 UTC
From: ptchoon
Topic: 2346 Message: 2346

Hello friends,

I've been lurking here for a while, and I'm pretty impressed with the Degen 1103 and other Degen radios.

However, what I know of these Degen radios has been from what I've read here and elsewhere on the internet, as there is no easy way to purchase a Degen where I am located.

I will be travelling to southwestern China (Nanning and Guilin) soon, and am wondering if any of you have managed to buy Degen radios when travelling in China? What type of shops sell these radios, if any? (I won't be travelling to Shenzhen, where these radios are made).

I do have several other radios currently, like the FRG7700, IC725, IC726, FT747, Pro2004,Pro2006 and many others. Some radios which I've owned before were the RA17, CR150, AR88, ICF6700 (not the 6800 though), ICF2001, TS440, TS940, IC765, R8, and a number of others.

Would like something that is small and works well, and the Degen 1103 seems like a good fit for me. My previous ICF2001 was a bit bulky for me when travelling, and its performance wasn't really up to my requirements.

Thanks and warm regards!

2347. Re: [de1103] Buying Degen 1103 in China

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-25 11:01:24 UTC
From: leon Heller
Topic: 2346 Message: 2347

----- Original Message -----
From: "ptchoon" <ptchoon@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 25, 2009 9:22 AM
Subject: [de1103] Buying Degen 1103 in China

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> travelling in China? What type of shops sell these radios, if any? (I
> won't be travelling to Shenzhen, where these radios are made).

A friend of mine managed to buy one when on holiday in China, but I think he
had to use mail order as he couldn't find one in a local shop.

Leon

2348. Re: Problem with new DE1103, continuous tone across AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-25 23:27:01 UTC
From: norsk4488
Topic: 2336 Message: 2348

I would also try to deenergize all the caps (and MPU) in the radio by removing batts and AC THEN depress the RESET button twice. Leave the radio off for at least 24 hrs, again press RESET then reinstall fresh batteries.

Tell us what happens.

Good luck.

It appears that the Degen/Eton radios do have fussy microprocessors.

Bill

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
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> Even if other GOOD shortwave receivers shown no such symptoms but due to circuit differences DE1103 may behave differently.
> Sure it cannot rule out the problem(s) is due to defected components inside. Yet hope for the best it can either be an external interference problem or u did mess up those CPU command sequences.
> In short, suggest try whatever approaches before taking the set apart for trouble shootings. Working against those SMC-surface mount components-- even with sophisticated equipments and expertise are definitively not worth the efforts.
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "pennine56" <pennine56@> wrote:
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2349. Re: Problem with new DE1103, continuous tone across AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-27 17:27:46 UTC
From: pennine56
Topic: 2336 Message: 2349

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> Bill

Hi

Thanks for procedure, I'll try it.

In case of interest I've uploaded a 35 sec wav file sound clip (3 Mbyte) from the radio's headphone output to link below.

http://www.microscopy-uk.org.uk/degen/degen.wav

It's the audio heard when slowly tuning middle of the 19m band with telescopic aerial extended. The tone occurs short frequencies apart. Between 25 - 34 sec of clip the SSB is turned on to show the unusual warble while trying to unsuccessfully zero beat it.

This tone is on MW and SW bands, FM is OK. The tone pretty much blocks any stations.

regards
David

2350. Re: Problem with new DE1103, continuous tone across AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-27 18:25:59 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 2336 Message: 2350

Did not sound like audio feed back/oscillations inside the DE1103.
Again did you try take the DE1103 "far far away"/miles away from home -- as to confirm it is due to external HF interference? (at least the noises may change tones -- or other tell-tale characters.)
According to Murphy's law: ...anything that can go wrong will go wrong. (your neighborhood interference source(s) activated only after you got this set !)

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2351. Could it be a fake.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-28 17:56:17 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 2351 Message: 2351

Hi All. If like me you have seen that VID on YOU TUBE of the guy tuning down below 76 MHz on his de 1103 I am now wondering if its a fake demo, for no info on how its done is forth coming, did he do this - put in 6000 and tilt the radio so showing the weak 8888888 display at a tilt you can only see half a 8 it looks looks like a inverted b,and now looks like 60.00 he may also have pre recordered some reception from a differant source! and just put the two together, what do you think. Mike in Suffolk.

2352. Re: [de1103] Could it be a fake.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-28 22:07:31 UTC
From: Ewan Meadows
Topic: 2351 Message: 2352

erm, if you mean below 70kHz, it's possible. There should be a document in the files section of the group that explains how to do it.

2009/10/28 Mike <michaelrae65@...>

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2353. Degen de 1103 below 76 MHz not Khz.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-29 09:20:08 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 2353 Message: 2353

Ok I have seen the files on tuning above 29.999 in KHZ but I did say the guy on YOU TUBE was showing a tune DOWN below 76 MHz, you see him tuned to 77 mhz and a rusian station is heard he stays on there for a while, there is no further tune down, the VID starts once more and he is around 63 MHz. I still think its a fake, unless there is an explaination.

2354. Re: [de1103] Degen de 1103 below 76 MHz not Khz.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-29 09:57:08 UTC
From: Ewan Meadows
Topic: 2353 Message: 2354

For the second time, it's not fake:
From http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/
DEGEN DE1103-modifications.pdf<http://f1.grp.yahoofs.com/v1/kFnpSsHwN_D3k_g2g8ZV-W6sRM_wQKZRP3X0KeqHfhW1SpbQZFVJ4_wAif7Eitfce0A72trqkJFUijMQh-f5WFktJi3lMKIA/DEGEN%20DE1103-modifications.pdf>

"We show you how to receive signals below 100 kHz and above 30 MHz
Interesting information about possibility of the DE1103 receiver to receive signals below
100 kHz circulated on the Internet. The discussion centered on this, and on our pages (
moreover, the method to receive signals above 30MHz was found separately by forum
member luv). The receiver designers designed a hidden capability into their creation,
whose secret was quickly found because of the world wide web. The pleasant side of this
modification is the you only need to use the receiver’s keyboard, without requiring any
disassembly. The method to obtain an extended range on the DE1103 is interesting by
itself, and leads us to believe that this was probably implemented by the engineers as a
joke, to allow to widen the DE1103 reception range. Many receiver owners among the
site have successfully extended the range of their receivers.
The instructions on how to extend the frequency range below 100 kHz is given below.
1. Turn the receiver ON and tune it to frequency 21951 kHz by typing it on the digital
keyboard (2-1-9-5-1- "BAND+").
2. Simultaneously press two buttons: "BAND -" and "BAND+" before the beginning to
scan downward in frequency.
3. Wait for the approximation of the current scanning frequency to lower boundary of
100 kHz frequency (this is engaged itself decent time). Do not touch the tuning knob
during all this time – touching it will stop scanning and it will be necessary to repeat the
procedure anew. When scanning reaches the lower boundary of 100 kHz and passes it, be
attentive. You now need to stop scanning by pushing any button or by turning with the
knob. The frequency indication below 100 kHz will be three-digit, for

example, for 50
kHz:
4. Store this frequency or any other below 100kHz into memory: push the
"STORE"
button, select the storage address with the tuning knob, release it and once
again press
"STORE". It is better to use an address at the beginning of the bank - this
is more
convenient for future selection. Attention: to choose the stored frequency
(to be tuned to
it) you only need to choose the tuning knob.
To extend the tuning range above 30 MHz do the following:
1. Turn on the receiver and tune it to frequency 21951 kHz by typing it on
the digital
keyboard (2-1-9-5-1- "BAND+").
2. Simultaneously press two buttons: "BAND -" and "BAND+" at the moment of
beginning a downward frequency scan.
3. You will stop scanning by pushing any knob, then press the "BAND+" button
and keep
it pressed prior to beginning an upward frequency scan.
4. Wait to reach a frequency above 29950 kHz and stop scanning. Store the
frequency
stopped at into any storage cell.
5. Recall the stored frequency by pressing the "M/F" button and go into
manual tuning
mode by repeatedly pushing this knob. On the display there will be the
frequency stored
earlier, and the “MEM” inscription on the right side of the display will be
replaced on
"VOL".
6. You will not scan upward in frequency by pressing and by keeping the
“BAND+”
button pressed. Scanning will pass the 30 MHz frequency (the display will
indicate the
form "b0000", where the first symbol – is the inverted letter B). Attention:
you will have
to stop scanning when the indication is between “b0001” and “b0009”
(30.001-30.009
MHz).
Now it is possible to tune the receiver with the tuning knob. The main thing
is to have
time to stop scanning in the space indicated, and then use the knob to
receive frequencies
above "B00y0". If we do not do this and do not stop scanning, then
immediately after the
frequency "b00y0" (30.010 MHz) the receiver goes to the FM band. You will
have to
repeat the steps above from the beginning to receive frequencies above
30MHz.
7. Now it is possible to tune above 30MHz with the tuning knob. The main

thing is to
have time to stop scanning before the frequency reaches “b0009”, store it into memory,
and the afterward you can dial in frequencies above “B0010” with the tuning the knob.
Now your DE1103 can receive below 100 kHz and above 30 MHz. But tuning for these
frequencies differs from the usual DE1103 tuning methods. The frequencies of the
extended range cannot be received by direct keyboard entry. You also cannot go to the
extended ranges by pushing the “BAND-“ or “BAND+” buttons. You can only use the
previously memorized frequencies with any "opened" frequency below 100 kHz or above
30.010 MHz and by pushing of the "M/F" knob to pass into the manual tuning mode. By
turning the knob or by starting a scan it is possible to reach the desired frequency, but if
the difference between the start frequency in the memory and the tuning frequency is
great, you will have to wait a considerable time to reach it. Therefore, I recommend to
store several "round" frequencies into the receiver memory (for example B0000 ","
B1000 "," B2000 "...) for convenience and speed of future tuning.
Is the extended range generally necessary in the DE1103? Each DE1103 owner can
answer that for himself. In populated area at frequencies above 30 MHz, it is possible to
hear everyday radiotelephones, which work with narrow-band CHM. With the small
detuning it is possible to legibly take this modulation form in AM mode. In outlying
regions were preserved the "national-economic" transmitters in the 33-38 MHz band,
which also use narrow CHM.
Below 100 kHz you can actually hear, perhaps, only one "site" - the standard time signals
station at frequency 66, (6) kHz for this it is necessary to connect external antenna into
the antenna jack.
Randomly it was possible to reveal that after conducting the extended frequency
procedure, at 100 kHz it is possible to select the type antenna used at frequencies up to
1710 kHz - internal ferrite or whip antenna.
Originally in the factory version, when tuning below 1710 kHz the ferrite antenna is
always connected, the whip antenna in this case is disconnected. The same

rule remains
in "the opened" DE1103 when tuning frequencies under 1710 kHz in the usual manner
(straight frequency recall from memory or using the range change buttons). But if we
"enter" the extended frequency below the 100 kHz range via the memory recall at the
"low" frequency, then going into manual tuning by repeatedly pushing the "M/F" knob,
as it was described above, this tuning method will use the whip antenna. Then by tuning
using the knob to raise the frequency, the whip antenna remains connected. However, the
radio goes back to the ferrite antenna when you tune at frequencies below 1710kHz using
the normal method (by recalling memory or by changing the range.
I note that in the "old" DE1103 when the ferrite antenna is connected (at frequencies
below 1710 kHz) at any moment it is possible to switch to the external antenna by simply
inserting in the antenna jack. Also it is possible to enter also in the "new" DE1103 with
the antenna jack. But to here in the incomplete plant receiver of new version use external
antenna below 1710 kHz will not come out. Only after extending the range below 100
kHz in the "new" DE1103 appears the possibility of replacing the ferrite antenna with the
whip antenna using method described above, and only then it is possible to pick up
signals upon the external antenna, connected into the jack instead of the whip. As we see,
connecting the external LW/MW antenna is more complex in practice, to say nothing of
the deliberately sad behaviour of the "new" factory DE1103 with the external antenna."

2009/10/29 Mike <michaelrae65@...>

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2355. Re: Degen de 1103 below 76 MHz not Khz.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-29 12:05:56 UTC
From: Julio
Topic: 2353 Message: 2355

Hello Mike,
Please send us the link of this video.

Thanks.
Julio.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mike" <michaelrae65@...> wrote:
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2356. Tuning Below 100 kHz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-10-31 19:54:50 UTC
From: Cpt_Mocha
Topic: 2356 Message: 2356

Put this link into Google Translate. I tried it on my DE1103 and it works. It's very easy.
http://forum.elektronika.lt/viewtopic.php?t=40431

2358. Wrong Info

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-01 22:31:25 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 2358 Message: 2358

Hi ALL. It would seem I keep being told to go to the file relating to the DE 1103 tuning up from 29.999 KHZ note Kilo Hertzs in "AM" but not being directed to the mode that makes this radio tune up from 35 MHZ note Megga Hertzs to 76 MHZ and or down from same IN FM this is what is wanted. Some of the files are coming up as blank a page! I have seen the RUssian translation now 5 times IT IS NOT WHAT IS WANTED, as that is the AM mode eg putting in 21950 or there abouts. I would like this radio to tune in FM from about 35 mhz up to 76 mhz and NO OTHER frequecy range, is this mode on your file that can be opened please place an active link if if is. THANK YOU. Mike - UK-

2359. Tuning DE1103 below 76MHz may actually not be possible. (was Re: Wrong Info)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-02 02:30:51 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2358 Message: 2359

Hi Mike,
I have just read the entire pdf document titled "DEGEN DE1103-modifications.pdf" in the Files <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files> download area. (specific file location hyperlinks can't be copied from Yahoo groups as they are session dependent).

I'm sorry to say that it has the following information on page 25 which tells me that these Russian gurus of the DE1103 know of no way to tune the radio below 76MHz.
"Other Information

Here answers to some questions from our considerations DE1103 on the forum.

Extending the FM range below 76 MHz is not known today."
The article does explain how to tune above 30MHz in the FM band (on page 17), but how far above is not explicitly mentioned. They imply 38MHz is possible, but nothing higher. Try it out and let us know exactly how high you can get to !

"In populated area at frequencies above 30 MHz, it is possible to hear everyday radiotelephones, which work with narrow-band CHM. With the small
detuning it is possible to legibly take this modulation form in AM mode. In outlying regions were preserved the "national-economic" transmitters in the 33-38 MHz band, which also use narrow CHM. "
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2360. Re: [de1103] Wrong Info

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-02 05:22:02 UTC
From: Dmitry Mezin
Topic: 2358 Message: 2360

Hi Mike and all,

AFAIK, tuning the 1103 in the OIRT FM band is only possible if your set displays a dot instead of some memory cell number. This way of tuning, indeed, is nothing to do with tuning up from 29,999 kHz.

Most Degens (including mine) display all 256 memories normally, and therefore cannot be forced to receive signals below 76 MHz.

73,
Dmitry
Russia

----- Original Message -----
From: "Mike" <michaelrae65@...>
Subject: [de1103] Wrong Info

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http://www.eset.com

2361. At Last a good reply. OIRT tuning not possible.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-02 09:21:16 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 2358 Message: 2361

Hi Dmitry. A very good reply, I say this because many in my group have tired going below 76 Mhz and this like you say cannot be done, so what is the guy from your part of the world doing on YOU TUBE, he SEEMS!!! to be receiving Myyak Radio in the OIRT band around 64 Mhz not sure of the frequency, have you seen this YOU TUBE video,! so if it is not a fake or eyes trick, what is it LOL. Mike UK Suffolk.

2362. Peter THANK YOU re 76 mhz.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-02 13:25:06 UTC
From: Michael in Suffolk
Topic: 2362 Message: 2362

Thank You Peter for that info, as I kept on saying and I still would like to use the word FAKE that demo on YOU TUBE is a FAKE, as you say 38 MHz is the limit the 1103 will go, thing is how did the guy on YT make it look like he was on 64 MHz and tuned to MyaK Radio {sorry for spelling} he did use the word TRICK and it would seem he was pulling one, this thing re DOT in the MEMS I have not been able to do that on my 1103 could it be the new ones have been fixed. I will end it here it has been a long battle, but two most helpfull replies have helped a lot, bottom line must therefore be IT CANNOT BE DONE.....FIN ...END. mike.

2363. Re: [de1103] Peter THANK YOU re 76 mhz.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-02 13:51:47 UTC
From: Ewan Meadows
Topic: 2362 Message: 2363

Please read your posts out aloud before hitting send. I find them highly difficult to read, hence why your question didn't get answered promptly.

2009/11/2 Michael in Suffolk <michaelrae65@...>

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2364. Re: Problem with new DE1103, continuous tone across AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-02 13:49:23 UTC
From: pennine56
Topic: 2336 Message: 2364

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "norsk4488" <norsk4488@...> wrote:
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> Bill
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Hi Bill

I have tried that reset technique more than once but unfortunately makes no difference to tone heard. Although on my example not sure if it is doing a full reset, as noticed it still remembered Radio 5 (UK) 1089 kHz when first went into MW which was the last station I was on.

Have also confirmed it's not local interference. I'm almost certain it's a fault but as folk remarked, fault finding on these is beyond what I could do at home despite an electronics background. The short ribbon cable doesn't allow checking while on either.

I did notice the tone isn't always there initially but gets much worse after few minutes switched on, perhaps some half working component going off spec.

Put it back in its box pending inspiration or may see if it has finite value for spares / repair on UK eBay.

regards
Ian

2365. Did read it out loud, could not see a lot wrong.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-02 14:07:49 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 2362 Message: 2365

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Ewan Meadows <ewan.meadows@...> wrote:
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> 2009/11/2 Michael in Suffolk <michaelrae65@...>
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> >
> > Thank You Peter for that info, as I kept on saying and I still would like,> > to use
the word FAKE that demo on YOU TUBE is a FAKE. As you say 38 MHz is the lower limit the
1103 will tune down to. Thing is how did the guy on YT make it look like
> > he was tuned to 64 MHz.He did use the
> > word TRICK and it would seem he was pulling one hell of a trick onm us all.
Next re DOT in the> > MEMS I have not been able to do that on my 1103 could it be a new
batch and now been fixed.
I will end it here, it has been a long battle, but two most
> > helpfull replys have helped a lot.
Bottom line must therefore be IT CANNOT BE DONE.....FIN ...END. mike.
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2366. Re: [de1103] At Last a good reply. OIRT tuning not possible.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-02 14:14:12 UTC
From: Dmitry Mezin
Topic: 2358 Message: 2366

Mike, I'm afraid you didn't read my reply carefully. Did I say that going below 76 MHz can never be done? I said MOST Degen's don't permit to do that, except a number of sets that (likely due to a slightly defective memory bank) display a dot instead of some memory cell number.

No fake.

73,
Dmitry

2009/11/2 Mike <michaelrae65@...>:
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> Hi Dmitry. A very good reply, I say this because many in my group have tired going below 76 Mhz and this like you say cannot be done, so what is the guy from your part of the world doing on YOU TUBE, he SEEMS!!! to be receiving Myyak Radio in the OIRT band around 64 Mhz not sure of the frequency, have you seen this YOU TUBE video,! so if it is not a fake or eyes trick, what is it LOL. Mike UK Suffolk.
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2367. Re: At Last a good reply. OIRT tuning not possible.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-02 15:20:55 UTC
From: Julio
Topic: 2358 Message: 2367

Hello,
You can watch this video here:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y4QTEyM13Ds

And here are the comments of author:

"101.2
100.4
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99.40
91.40
90.80
90.20
88.30
88.00 Svezhiy Veter, Pervouralsk
83.75 TV sound
77.25 TV video
72.83 Kanal Voskresenie
71.84 Radio Mayak

HOW TO:
Sometimes in some receivers (as a result of accidental bug or during the power reset) in memory cell the DOT emerges (instead of the cell number).
It's unpredictable bug or fault.
Only in some pieces.

- Dot
- Then to press "M/F" and begin manual scanning with wheel for a long time till "B72.90" (very very long time for "72.90") or something similar.
- To store this frequency."

Regards.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Dmitry Mezin <dm65dx@...> wrote:
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> Mike, I'm afraid you didn't read my reply carefully. Did I say that
> going below 76 MHz can never be done? I said MOST Degen's don't permit
> to do that, except a number of sets that (likely due to a slightly
> defective memory bank) display a dot instead of some memory cell
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> No fake.
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> Dmitry
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2368. DE 11023 only in some.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-02 19:40:27 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 2358 Message: 2368

Hi Dmitry. Sorry my friend, no I did not read your reply 100%. Well all I can say is that guy got very lucky, as I know a few 1103 owners who cannot do what he has done, so I will now drop the word fake and used the word FLUKE hope you understand this word FLUKE = got very lucky. This tune down is not happening on the new batch. Wonder what serial {Batch} number his one had. I hope other watched the vid, its very interesting is it not members! I have left the link and his comments within this reply, hope thats OK. Mike UK Suffolk.

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> Regards.
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2369. Re: DE 11023 only in some.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-03 01:27:52 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2358 Message: 2369

Hi Mike,

Have a read of the post here <../../../../../../message/2219> that I wrote earlier this year.

regards
Peter

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mike" <michaelrae65@...> wrote:
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>
> Hi Dmitry. Sorry my friend, no I did not read your reply 100%. Well all I can say is that guy got very lucky, as I know a few 1103 owners who cannot do what he has done, so I will now drop the word fake and used the word FLUKE hope you understand this word FLUKE = got very lucky. This tune down is not happening on the new batch. Wonder what serial {Batch} number his one had. I hope other watched the vid, its very interesting is it not members! I have left the link and his comments within this reply, hope thats OK. Mike UK Suffolk.
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> > http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y4QTEyM13Ds

2370. Re: DE 11023 only in some.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-03 02:50:03 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2358 Message: 2370

On second thoughts, try this
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/message/2219> post instead ! The
link didn't work below.
regards
Peter
--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "silva_halide" <forums@...> wrote:
>
> Hi Mike,
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> Have a read of the post here that I
> wrote earlier this year.
>
> regards
> Peter

2371. What happensd if you mess up. Re: DE1103 below 76MHz !

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-03 23:15:11 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 2218 Message: 2371

Hi Peter. I am in no way a teche and so I ask, What happens if you mess up the 1103 with this long scan in the worst senrio the radio will not get back to its factory setting, to me its frightening, is anyone else thinking along the same lines.
A bit off subject I have a Yaesu Handy for 2 mts the 727, I recall someone telling me to put in some numbers cannot recall what it was lets say 31.000 with this the radio tuned from 139-148 but in 50 khz steps and not 12.5 khz it took me a hell of a while to get it back to tuning 143-148 at 12.5 khz steps, can I therefore presum that the same type of numbers trick will work on the DE 1103 and that you can get back to factory settings, if you mess up.
PS I read this OUT LOAD and it read fine by me, but then again I am a bit dislecsic {sorry if even that word is spelt wrong} People come for all walks of life. Mike.
:

2372. What happensd if you mess up. Re: DE1103 below 76MHz !

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-04 00:51:05 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2218 Message: 2372

Mike,

The DE1103 is equipped with a master reset which should hopefully resurrect any bad changes you might have made, although you will only know by trying it out for yourself I suspect !

regards
Peter
--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mike" <michaelrae65@...> wrote:
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2374. Re: [de1103] Unsubscribe

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-05 17:35:55 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2373 Message: 2374

Hi Mike

Scroll to the bottom of the page and the unsubscribe link is there ....

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: "Mike" <michaelrae65@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, November 06, 2009 1:50 AM
Subject: [de1103] Unsubscribe

>I wish to unsubscribe from this group for the moment having thankfully
>obtained all the information regarding the de1103. At the moment I am a
>member of too many groups and something has to go, unfortunately you are
>one of them. I may rejoin in the future. Mike
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2375. Which Page!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-05 23:31:12 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 2375 Message: 2375

Unsubcribe, which page. I went to the bottom of the massage page and my vision is 20/20 but I could not see any blue link button, just 4 grey ones that you cannot click. Lets me out of here. mike.

2376. Unsubcribe is LEAVE GROUP.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-05 23:35:29 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 2376 Message: 2376

Seeing as there is NO "Go To Bottom Of Page" and hit unsubcribe buttom! I found Edit Membership and then LEAVE GROUP, way to go me thinks. Mike.

2377. New SW schedules uplaoded

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-06 07:25:15 UTC
From: kb0hae1
Topic: 2377 Message: 2377

Hi Folks. I just uploaded the new fall 2009 SW schedules to the files section.

TTYL

2378. Re: New SW schedules uplaoded

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-19 19:28:09 UTC
From: fredgustav1
Topic: 2377 Message: 2378

thanks for the file. is the complete list available, that includes what was edited out?

fred

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "kb0hae1" <kb0hae@...> wrote:
>
> Hi Folks. I just uploaded the new fall 2009 SW schedules to the files section.
>
> TTYL
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2379. Re: [de1103] Re: New SW schedules uplaoded

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-19 20:10:42 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2377 Message: 2379

Hi Fred. The complete unedited file is available from the Prime Time Shortwave web site. It is the "frequency large" version, meaning that it is sorted by frequency, and is quite large (24+ pages) The utilities station info at the end of my edited file was added from a couple of other sources.

TTYL

fredgustav1 wrote:
> thanks for the file. is the complete list available, that includes what was edited out?
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> fred
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "kb0hae1" <kb0hae@...> wrote:
>> Hi Folks. I just uploaded the new fall 2009 SW schedules to the files section.
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>> TTYL
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CUL8R

KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell

A Satisfied Sidux Linux user! To get Sidux go to:
www.sidux.com/index.html
"Protect your digital freedom and privacy, eliminate DRM, learn more at http://www.defectivebydesign.org/what_is_drm"

2380. Re: New SW schedules uplaoded

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-19 20:37:33 UTC
From: fredgustav1
Topic: 2377 Message: 2380

thanks !!!

fred

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, martin <kb0hae@...> wrote:
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> Shortwave web site. It is the "frequency large" version, meaning that
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> KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell
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> A Satisfied Sidux Linux user! To get Sidux go to:
> www.sidux.com/index.html
> "Protect your digital freedom and privacy, eliminate DRM, learn more
> at http://www.defectivebydesign.org/what_is_drm"
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2381. EARTH OR NO EARTH?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-23 10:05:26 UTC
From: bobyorston
Topic: 2381 Message: 2381

Hi All - Just a thought - for the many instances when a decent earth is not available and/or not convenient, how about putting a small, high voltage capacitor - say 1000pF, 1KV - in the plug-pack - from what should be neutral to the negative output terminal? I guess the electrical experts will frown on the idea, but it might be better than no earth in some circumstances!
Bob.

2382. Re: Problem with new DE1103, continuous tone across AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-24 15:42:16 UTC
From: pennine56
Topic: 2336 Message: 2382

In case of use to someone, the faulty example is now on eBay UK for £12 first bid. None worker in my home so not much use to me, perhaps a spares source etc.

David

http://cgi.ebay.co.uk/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=320453450471

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "pennine56" <pennine56@...> wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "norsk4488" <norsk4488@> wrote:
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> >
> > I would also try to deenergize all the caps (and MPU) in the radio by removing batts and AC THEN depress the RESET button twice. Leave the radio off for at least 24 hrs, again press RESET then reinstall fresh batteries.
> >
> > Tell us what happens.
> >
> > Good luck.
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> >
> > It appears that the Degen/Eton radios do have fussy microprocessors.
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> >
> > Bill
> >
> Hi Bill
>
> I have tried that reset technique more than once but unfortunately makes no difference to tone heard. Although on my example not sure if it is doing a full reset, as noticed it still remembered Radio 5 (UK) 1089 kHz when first went into MW which was the last station I was on.
>
> Have also confirmed it's not local interference. I'm almost certain it's a fault but as folk remarked, fault finding on these is beyond what I could do at home despite an electronics background. The short ribbon cable doesn't allow checking while on either.
>
> I did notice the tone isn't always there initially but gets much worse after few minutes switched on, perhaps some half working component going off spec.
>
> Put it back in its box pending inspiration or may see if it has finite value for spares / repair on UK eBay.
>

> regards
> Ian
>

2383. Re: EARTH OR NO EARTH?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-26 01:01:08 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 2381 Message: 2383

Highly suspect you will pick up lots of power line noises rather than making the reception better.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "bobyorston" <bobyorston@...> wrote:
>
> Hi All - Just a thought - for the many instances when a decent earth is not available and/or not convenient, how about putting a small, high voltage capacitor - say 1000pF, 1KV - in the plug-pack - from what should be neutral to the negative output terminal? I guess the electrical experts will frown on the idea, but it might be better than no earth in some circumstances!
> Bob.
>

2384. RE: [de1103] Re: EARTH OR NO EARTH?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-11-29 21:12:23 UTC
From: GORDON COOPER
Topic: 2381 Message: 2384

To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
From: knyuen88@...
Date: Thu, 26 Nov 2009 01:01:08 +0000
Subject: [de1103] Re: EARTH OR NO EA RTH?

Highly suspect you will pick up lots of power line noises rather than making the reception better.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "bobyorston" <bobyorston@...> wrote:

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> Bob.

I do not think that a ground is required for the 1103. I have found that the easiest way to reduce or remove noise is to run the unit on freshly charged batteries (NiMh) and operate it outdoors, away from power lines, computers, motors, etc. I've thought about using a helium balloon and putting up a full wavelength wire antenna for a shortwave band-on a clear evening with no threat of thunderstorms, of course, and with the antenna wire "grounded" through three one megohm resistors to drain away static charges.

It would be interesting to take a 1103 with fresh batteries to the parking lot at the top of Pike's Peak in Colorado to see just how good the FM and AM sections really are with an unobstructed view.

Using a passive, tunable external loop antenna the radio shines on AM. I have hopes of trying to improve nulls by using a second tuned loop-we have an in-town AM station that bleeds over most of the band. I plan to add a trimmer capacitor to my second tuned passive loop for a bit of finer control.

73,

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM
Bremerton WA USA

2385. Re: Problem with new DE1103, continuous tone across AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-12-02 01:48:32 UTC
From: Julian Hardstone
Topic: 2336 Message: 2385

Ian - I was going to bid on it but forgot 8-[so before you bin it, any chance you could get in
there with an oscilloscope and try to see what's going on?

What I'd like to ask is - does this tone vary with the receive frequency from one end of the band to
the other, for example from 1 - 20MHz? I assume the tone is _really_ there, coming through the IF
stages and detector, in which case the first suspicion probably falls on the Local Oscillator PLL

The LC72137 datasheet http://www.datasheetarchive.com/pdf/Datasheet-06/DSA0093184.pdf shows how the
PLL frequency synthesiser IC is used and shows the pinouts. The tuning voltage is output from pin 18
and is available at either end of R403, so start by looking there, with the 'scope at maximum
sensitvity and ac coupling, or maybe even listen with an amplifier for any sign of the tone. If
there is any instability in the loop, it should be possible to cure it, maybe by changing values for
C403 or R401. If there is no sign there, maybe you can chase the tone back through the AF stages and
the demodulators - but that's something to think about another time!

2386. Hi, Thanks

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-12-05 03:22:46 UTC
From: Mvs Sarma
Topic: 2386 Message: 2386

Thanks for the membership appproval

 regards

sarma

The INTERNET now has a personality. YOURS! See your Yahoo! Homepage. http://in.yahoo.com/

2387. Re: [de1103] Hi, Thanks

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-12-05 15:42:40 UTC
From: leon Heller
Topic: 2386 Message: 2387

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----- Original Message -----
From: Mvs Sarma
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, December 05, 2009 3:22 AM
Subject: [de1103] Hi, Thanks

Thanks for the membership appproval

regards

sarma

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I hope you enjoy the group.

Leon
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2388. Re: [de1103] Hi, Thanks

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-12-05 16:23:10 UTC
From: Mike Mc Manus
Topic: 2386 Message: 2388

leon Heller wrote:
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Mvs Sarma
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com <mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Saturday, December 05, 2009 3:22 AM
> Subject: [de1103] Hi, Thanks
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> Thanks for the membership appproval
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> regards
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> sarma
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> I hope you enjoy the group.
>
> Leon
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>
Hello,
Welcome to the group.
Mike Mc M.

2389. Re: Problem with new DE1103, continuous tone across AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-12-08 19:17:53 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2336 Message: 2389

I feel it as a batch failure and can be tried with replacement of power line decoupling capacitors. A laborious process no doubt.
again a case of false SSB switching with no user control could be possible, but then, the SSB fine control knob should have some effect.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Julian Hardstone" <julian@...> wrote:
>
> Ian - I was going to bid on it but forgot 8-[so before you bin it, any chance you could get in
> there with an oscilloscope and try to see what's going on?
>
> What I'd like to ask is - does this tone vary with the receive frequency from one end of the band to
> the other, for example from 1 - 20MHz? I assume the tone is _really_ there, coming through the IF
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> C403 or R401. If there is no sign there, maybe you can chase the tone back through the AF stages and
> the demodulators - but that's something to think about another time!
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2390. Bad problem with FM reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-12-10 07:15:45 UTC
From: Bob - K2KI
Topic: 2390 Message: 2390

Hi everybody,

I just recently received a DE-1103 for my birthday. I got it on ePay from an Asian firm Anon-Co.

First off, the audio on every band is "rough" around the edges. This is regardless of signal strength and settings.

But the main problem is with the FM band. All stations received sound clearer at least 60 KHz low in frequency and the stereo decoder had significant problems when tuned this far from the center of the signal. When tuned to the correct frequency, there is more carrier than audio and the audio is very rough. Even when I detune down in freq, the audio sounds better but not great.

Has anyone experienced this problem before?

I hate to send it back as it will cost me more than what I paid for it. Any ideas what I should/can do?

I look forward to hearing from anybody.

Thanks...
Bob de k2ki

2391. Re: Bad problem with FM reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-12-10 23:37:19 UTC
From: Julian Hardstone
Topic: 2390 Message: 2391

Bob - That's rather disappointing, as the 1103 is noted for its very clean audio, especially when
you use stereo headphones on FM

I wonder what volume level you are using - you probably found the 1103 turns on at maximum volume
the first time you turn it on. I find a setting of 12 - 15 gives a good clean level with the
supplied earphones

If FM is distorted until you tune off-channel, this could point to incorrect alignment of the FM
discriminator coil T202, but first, check that the frequency calibration is correct on the SW bands.
Find a known station and check that the frequency display is correct, using the 'narrow' bandwidth
setting. If not, you probably need to adjust the reference oscillator, which is set by TC1

If you take the back off, you can easily get at TC1 & T202. Tune TC1 for correct frequency display
as above. If you are happy with that, adjust T202 on FM. Tune to the correct frequency for a
moderately strong FM station. Mark the original position of the core, use a well-fitting screwdriver
and listen to the audio quality as you turn the core up to ? turn either way. When you have minimum
distortion you will find the tuning is fairly symmetrical about the nominal frequency. I presume you
mean you have to tune 50kHz off, as the 1103 tunes FM in 25kHz steps

HTH - Julian

2392. Re: [de1103] Re: Bad problem with FM reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-12-11 02:43:45 UTC
From: Bob - K2KI
Topic: 2390 Message: 2392

Hi Julian,

Thanks for the reply.

Yes, it is rather disappointing indeed. I too was sold on the DE1103
because of the reviews I read about the quality of the audio.

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> Bob - That's rather disappointing, as the 1103 is noted for its very
> clean audio, especially when
> you use stereo headphones on FM
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I have tried all volume levels and still have rough audio
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> turns on at maximum volume
> the first time you turn it on. I find a setting of 12 - 15 gives a
> good clean level with the
> supplied earphones
>
I agree, the alignment does seem off. The SW and AM bands are dead on. I
calibrated to WWV, CHU plus a few other known sources.
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>
> If FM is distorted until you tune off-channel, this could point to
> incorrect alignment of the FM
> discriminator coil T202, but first, check that the frequency
> calibration is correct on the SW bands.
> Find a known station and check that the frequency display is correct,
> using the 'narrow' bandwidth
> setting. If not, you probably need to adjust the reference oscillator,
> which is set by TC1
>
I wish I didn't have to take the back off because I would be voiding the
warranty. But, with that said, as I stated in my original message, it
would cost me more than what I paid for the radio to ship it both ways.
I was hoping that the radio was merely set to another standard and the
problem could be solved with a few "hidden" key strokes.
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>
> If you take the back off, you can easily get at TC1 & T202. Tune TC1
> for correct frequency display
> as above. If you are happy with that, adjust T202 on FM. Tune to the

> correct frequency for a
> moderately strong FM station. Mark the original position of the core,
> use a well-fitting screwdriver
> and listen to the audio quality as you turn the core up to ? turn
> either way. When you have minimum
> distortion you will find the tuning is fairly symmetrical about the
> nominal frequency. I presume you
> mean you have to tune 50kHz off, as the 1103 tunes FM in 25kHz steps.
>
The tuning on the FM band appears to be as you say in 25 KHz steps. I deduced the 60 KHz because if I tune down 50 KHz the audio quality appears to improve but if I go to 75 KHz it is worst but not as bad as if I tuned only 25 KHz. This led me to believe that I was tuning past the "sweet" spot. But, it might be just the discriminator being off-aligned and if that were the case. I would just be fooling my self in thinking otherwise.

Thanks for the help. I will search for a parts placement layout for this radio.

73, cul...
Bob de k2ki

2393. Re: Bad problem with FM reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-12-11 09:25:44 UTC
From: Julian Hardstone
Topic: 2390 Message: 2393

All points noted Bob. If you go inside you'll find the two items are clearly marked, and since the
AM calibration is ok the FM is also ok, which leaves only T202 to try

2394. Re: [de1103] Re: Bad problem with FM reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-12-11 13:33:50 UTC
From: Bob - K2KI
Topic: 2390 Message: 2394

Hi Julian,

T202 worked like a charm. I now am receiving stations well. One think I noted though...
If I tune from low in the band to high and encounter a station, the receiver captures almost immediately within 25 KHz of acquiring signal .

If I continue to tune through the station, I find that I am able to still hear the station well past 100 KHz with dips in signal strength and the audio is very muddy and raspy. If a weak station is within this range, it is lost. It almost seems like I am encountering the midpoint of the first station on the low edge of the IF skirt. Does that make any sense.

If I tune high to low, the signal of the stronger station is encountered 100 KHz from the desired freq and fully captures at the desired freq. If I tune lower, I lose the station completely 25 KHz from the desired freq. So, the same results are noticed.

Your input is appreciated.

Thanks for your help.

73, cul...
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2395. Re: Bad problem with FM reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-12-11 14:39:21 UTC
From: Julian Hardstone
Topic: 2390 Message: 2395

That's really good Bob, I wonder how many other units have been shipped like that!

Re the off-channel reception, that is quite normal, as the FM IF filters are fairly broad, and the
discriminator is even broader and very non-linear when far of-channel. The dx-chasers like to change
the two filters to the 110kHz type, but that is a very delicate operation

2396. Re: [de1103] Re: Bad problem with FM reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-12-11 14:56:51 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 2390 Message: 2396

With the new DSP receivers (Tecsun PL380, Grundig G8, D96L, etc.) a great FM reception has been accomplished with variable selectivity . I performed the filters change (a senior technician made it for me), 80+110 but it was too much narrow, and had to make a step back with 110+110. In Europe, for real DX this and the other filter configuration gives much more selectivity but fidelity is compromised.

Horacio A. Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

De: Julian Hardstone <julian@...>
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Enviado: vie,11 diciembre, 2009 12:39
Asunto: [de1103] Re: Bad problem with FM reception

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2397. DE1103 Above 30MHz!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-12-13 01:57:31 UTC
From: bobyorston
Topic: 2397 Message: 2397

Hi All -
I have had an early DE1103 which went from 0MHz to 40MHz, and still does.
However, a newer DE1103 I can only get to function from 0MHz to 30MHz.
Am I doing something stupid (maybe Alzheimer's has crept up in the past few years!) or has there been some change?
For that matter, has anyone got clear, precise (English) instructions for 30-40MHz - maybe I just fluked it before.
I can get d0,000KHz in memory, but when I pull it out and start manually tuning, it goes straight to FM!
Regards,
Bob.

2398. any datasheet and substitute for IC4 and IC7

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-12-23 02:28:14 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2398 Message: 2398

Dear all,
I was wondering whether any datasheet and a replacement could be found for the two COB chips IC4 and IC7 as used in DE1103.
Regards
Sarma

2399. Re: any datasheet and substitute for IC4 and IC7

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-12-23 02:37:56 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2398 Message: 2399

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mvs" <mvs_sarma@...> wrote:
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> Regards
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PS: Sorry they are IC 6 and IC7

2400. RE: [de1103] Re: any datasheet and substitute for IC4 and IC7

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-12-23 05:56:28 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2398 Message: 2400

IC6 and IC7 are bonding IC, both are same.

IC6 is used for AM signal 1st IF amplification and AM signal 2nd IF composition.
IC7 is used for SSB signal demolulation.

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Mvs
Sent: 2009年12月23日 10:38
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: any datasheet and substitute for IC4 and IC7

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2401. No SW, MW and LW reception

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-12-23 15:13:24 UTC
From: enriqueeeeee2001
Topic: 2401 Message: 2401

Hello group

I have finished the Kiwa mods for the Degen this morning but when I turn it I hear just white noise on the SW,MW and LW but no signal.
While tuning there is a strong blip-blip sound.
However on FM the sound it is great . The front end FET is protected
with a diode, I have tried to reset it but nothing happens.

Do you think that I have burnt any transistor or the FET it is blown?

Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you very much and happy Xmast.

Kind Regards.

2402. Re: any datasheet and substitute for IC4 and IC7

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-12-23 18:37:33 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2398 Message: 2402

While I too saw the comment that IC6 is amplifier.In fact, IC6 is converter from 2nd IF from with a carrier of 55.3945MHz, to take out the 450KHz 2nd IF frequency.
IC7 is SSB converter with 456KHz ceramic based SSB LO around Q19.
Both are similar chips. but unfortunately COB type. I was just thinking of a replacement for the COB.

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2403. Re: any datasheet and substitute for IC4 and IC7

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-12-23 18:39:18 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2398 Message: 2403

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2404. Re: [de1103] Problem with new DE1103, continuous tone across AM band

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2009-12-23 21:29:08 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 2336 Message: 2404

Today I remembered this thread after having virually the same problem with my DE-1103, purchased on april 2007.

After changing discharged batteries (NiMH) for a set of charged ones, the radio seemed to work fine for a while, but later when turning it on, the MW band was unusable due to a strong howl covering the whole MW band. I tried several resets with no result. Then took the batteries off compartment, waited a few seconds, put them in and turned the radio on again: it worked for just a few seconds but the howl returned. More resets, no result. Finally took the batteries of and waited for half an hour or so, put them again in the compartment and turned the radio on: the problem seemed now to be cured and the radio has worked fine for several hours.

So, this seems to confirm the theory that this kind of problems are caused by discharged batteries with too low voltage.

I hope the problem is over.

BTW Ian, have you sold your DE-1103? May be there is still hope for it!

Season's Greetings to all!

Moises Knochen

At 18:09 18/10/2009, you wrote:
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>Hello
>
>I wonder if anyone has come across ths problem and possible solution.
>
>I bought a new Degen DE1103 from a well regarded Hong Kong supplier
>via eBay (I live in UK).
>
>Serial number in battery compartment AI 102516
>
>It worked fine for the first day but now has a loud continuous
>whistle type tone across the entire AM band when not in SSB with
>built in aerial. This gets louder at some frequencies but there all
>the time. Reset has no effect and no electrical items in my house
>causing it as other shortwave radios both analogue and synthesized
>don't show it.
>
>I'd estimate the tone frequency to be about 500 - 1000 Hz
>
>Two sets of brand new batteries tried and also on mains.

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>I'm an electronics engineer so can fix eg dry joints loose
>connections if know where to look.
>
>Neither the seller or Degen support on website have replied to my
>query after a week. In principle a 1 yr guarantee but sending back
>to seller would cost half the radio's value so would rather fix
>myself if possible.
>
>Thanks for any insight and for your time.
>
>with regards
>Ian Walker
>UK
>
>

Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

2405. Re: EARTH OR NO EARTH?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-02 09:19:43 UTC
From: krysatec
Topic: 2381 Message: 2405

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "bobyorston" <bobyorston@...> wrote:
>
> Hi All - Just a thought - for the many instances when a decent earth is not available and/or not convenient, how about putting a small, high voltage capacitor - say 1000pF, 1KV - in the plug-pack - from what should be neutral to the negative output terminal? I guess the electrical experts will frown on the idea, but it might be better than no earth in some circumstances!
> Bob.
>

Hi all,

you need good earth for better (stronger) signal if you use telescope antenna for AM bands (or PA0RDT Mini Whip antenna), especially for LW and VLW bands. I use coax cable from Mini Whip and shield is grounded to 1,5meter long rod to wet earth. Some "rod" you need also for "portable" QTH.

You can test it simply:

set VLW band (below 100kHz) and some "time station", for instance 77.5kHz in Europe and use telescope antenna only!

if you hold fast receiver (or minus pole, shield or other "ground" of receiver) in your hand, signal is stronger than if you set receiver at table!

Best regards, Jara "Rat", Czechia, EU

2406. Re: EARTH OR NO EARTH?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-03 11:21:50 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2381 Message: 2406

While it may happen to help in some circumstances it will probably be noisy in many as well. A far cleaner (and safer) alterntive would be a counterpoise...a length of wire deployed along the floorboards.

Jay

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "krysatec" <krysatec@...> wrote:
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2407. New member! Just received my DE1103!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-16 07:34:53 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2407 Message: 2407

After a bit of a search I found and won a good example of a Degen DE1103 on an eBay auction. I joined the group to learn more of the radio and to share any interesting happenings. I have other receivers such as the SONY ICF-2010, Eton E5, Grundig G5 and G3, Uniden CR-2021 and the ICOM IC-746 with many different antennas.
Just getting used to the very different controls of the Degen but so far everything is straight forward. The memory layout is a bit different but I am coming to terms with it! I may upgrade the LED back light and the "kick stand" is missing.
The little receiver is doing very good and I shall post some more on what I find.

73 Rod KB8DNS

2408. Re: New member! Just received my DE1103!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-17 00:24:14 UTC
From: george_kassavetis
Topic: 2407 Message: 2408

Hi Rod,
As you may have read in HFmonitors, I have pretty much assumed the E5, G5 and 1103 were pretty much equivalent, performance-wise. But since the 1103 is my only radio, I look forward to hearing your opinion.

George

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2409. Re: [de1103] Re: New member! Just received my DE1103!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-17 01:34:21 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2407 Message: 2409

Hi George. I have a G5 and a Ka1103. The performance is the same.
Not surprising since they use the same receiver board. Its only the
memories/keypad/displays that are different.

TTYL

george_kassavetis wrote:
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CUL8R

KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell

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www.sidux.com/index.html
"Protect your digital freedom and privacy, eliminate DRM, learn more
at http://www.defectivebydesign.org/what_is_drm"

2410. Re: New member! Just received my DE1103!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-17 02:18:07 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2407 Message: 2410

Hi George and Martin!

I am aware that the basic RF board is much the same in 1103 as it is in the G5, E5 and the G3. There are some subtle differences between the radios, most of them are to the good but at the same time make the radios different.
I have a hard time making a difference between the E5 and G5 as they are so much alike, if anything the E5 being an older radio does not have upgrades to it. The differences seem to be in the front end but yet does not seem to differ much in performance. I did replace the FET in the E5 with a MRF102 in a TO92 package.
The DE1103 could be described as a first generation and as such has some differences from either the E5 or G5. I think the receiver is a bit better on MW and LW and the radio over all performs similar on higher frequencies, that is on HF. I think the FM is a bit less on the DE1103 but it might be a narrow audio range. To me it seem a bit "squeaky" in sound quality, but other than that the FM works well.
Now the G3 is a much different animal as it is a different design, mainly the Silicon Industries Si4735 receiver chip which is basically the whole radio! The FM sounds much like the DE1103 but the big difference is the quiet receiver on MW and SW, sort of a DSP!
All three designs are very good radios and each has it's own good and bad points, over all I would say very good! I have two G5s and they are very close to each other but one seems a tad less noisy, less static floor. I was very surprised that all three Chinese radios come very close to the SONY ICF-2010 and beats the SONY ICF-7600 (not the GR). The G3 is a good replacement for the 2010 as it comes close to the performance of the SYNC and the price is just great!
SSB on the DE1103 is very good but a bit "shaky", I think the controls may be dusty as the VFO knob jumps as I tune it.
My "new" Degen DE1103 is in my collection and will be active in my listening post. I will make some more comparisons to other receivers and post some logs with the DE1103.

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2411. Kick stand?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-17 21:34:40 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2411 Message: 2411

Anybody have a sure wway of installing a new support for the 1103? I ask this as mine is missing and one on my G5 is off as well. I can get a replacement but not sure of the install procedure.

73 es gud DX! Rod KB8DNS

2412. Receiving above 30 mHz?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-18 05:53:14 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2412 Message: 2412

Found this link by doing some deep web searches.....

http://scott.no-blog.jp/photos/de1103/de1103_39999.html

Not sure of how to do this but the DE1103 seems to be more of a radio than I thought! More as I find it....

73 Rod KB8DNS

2413. Re: Receiving above 30 mHz?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-18 10:26:06 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2412 Message: 2413

I found some better links for tuning above 30.0MHz after some shallow
web searches !
(in decreasing order of intelligbility)

Link 1 <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/message/1474>
Link 2 <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/message/374>
Link 3
<http://translate.google.com/translate?js=y&prev=_t&hl=en&ie=UTF-8&layou\
t=1&eotf=1&u=http%3A%2F%2Fceleron.dip.jp%2Fde1103.html&sl=ja&tl=en>
(English translaton of a Japanese page - scroll down to Tips about
2/3rds down that page)

regards
Peter

Re: [de1103] Trick Tune below 76MHz ??? <../../../../message/374>

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "kb8dns" <kb8dns@...> wrote:
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2414. Re: Receiving above 30 mHz?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-18 18:31:40 UTC
From: george_kassavetis
Topic: 2412 Message: 2414

Hi Rod

I used the method of Site 1 in Silva's message and it worked. However I determined that there is a faster method if you have a couple of cups of coffee first:

1. Turn on the receiver and tune it to 29945 (2-9-5-4-5- «BAND+»).
2. Press simultaneously two buttons: «BAND-» and "BAND+" until the moment of the beginning of scanning downwards on frequency.
3. Stop scanning by pressing of any button, then press button "BAND+" and scan upwards a few seconds to 29980 (or just under 30000).
4. Hold down the store button and use the jog dial to select a Memory location, let go of the store button and hit it again to store into Memory.
5. Check that it is in memory scrolling up and down with the jog wheel.
6. At 29980 turn off the memory tuning mode. When you hold "BAND+" it will go up in increments of 5 kHz but it will switch to FM only "after" it reaches 30005. So press and hold down "BAND+" and when you think it is going to hit 30000 let go and press it again quickly. At least one out of four times you will probably get 30005 (the others being 29995, 30000, and FM). Store 30005 into Memory as above and you are all set.

It is a lot faster than scrolling up from 21951 kHz.

Also thanks for you comparisons of the G5, E5 and DE1103.

As far as the kick stand. You might email Tao Qu in Message 2400. He used to sell the DE1103 and parts for the DE1103 up until last month on Ebay (Store: Radio-and-Component) and he is almost sure to know how to do it.

George

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2415. Re: Receiving above 30 mHz?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-19 10:00:51 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2412 Message: 2415

Hi George!
Thanks for the pointers on the short way to do the trick.... I see where the coffee comes in handy! I got it to work, now if I can hear something. Seems that it goes up to 49.999 mHz but not sure. Have you been able to hear anything?

73 Rod KB8DNS

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2416. Re: Receiving above 30 mHz?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-19 16:55:08 UTC
From: george_kassavetis
Topic: 2412 Message: 2416

Hi Rod,

I do not think I have spent more than 5 minutes total scanning above 30 MHz. I did not hear anything that I might ascribe to any form of data/voice communication. I also have not noticed any reports about reception above 30 Mhz on this forum (but then again there is not much about frequencies below 30 Mhz). This translation from from radioscanner.ru might indicate that scanning above 39 Mhz is a waste of time:

"In my copy of the receiver receiving the maximum frequency was 37.100 MHz. Above the breakdown occurred the synthesizer and the reception was stopped. Depending on the instance of the receiver (settings and parameters of the particular VCOs) borders receive stable after the "discovery" are in the range 33 ... 38 MHz, and the management synthesizer remains to 39.999 MHz ("B9999")."

But then again I need a translator for the translation.

George

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "kb8dns" <kb8dns@...> wrote:
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> 73 Rod KB8DNS

2417. Re: Receiving above 30 mHz?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-19 17:09:56 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2412 Message: 2417

I totally agree. If at all some one is interested , one could make a converter to bring any range to a spare laocation in the receiver working range.
that bring order and quality also to the signal , is what I feel.
regards
Sarma
--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "george_kassavetis" <gak@...> wrote:
>
> Hi Rod,
>
> I do not think I have spent more than 5 minutes total scanning above 30 MHz. I did not hear anything that I might ascribe to any form of data/voice communication. I also have not noticed any reports about reception above 30 Mhz on this forum (but then again there is not much about frequencies below 30 Mhz). This translation from from radioscanner.ru might indicate that scanning above 39 Mhz is a waste of time:
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> "In my copy of the receiver receiving the maximum frequency was 37.100 MHz. Above the breakdown occurred the synthesizer and the reception was stopped. Depending on the instance of the receiver (settings and parameters of the particular VCOs) borders receive stable after the "discovery" are in the range 33 ... 38 MHz, and the management synthesizer remains to 39.999 MHz ("B9999")."
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2418. New Kaito 1103 DOA?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-20 00:10:15 UTC
From: JohnB123
Topic: 2418 Message: 2418

Hi all. I'm new to the group and just received my new Kaito 1103 today. When I tried to power it up either with batteries or the AC adapter, I got nothing. Is there something I'm not doing right, or is this a common problem? I bought it from a reputable dealer, so I'm confident they'll make it right. Any suggestions are greatly appreciated. Thanks!

2419. Re: [de1103] New Kaito 1103 DOA?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-20 11:29:34 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2418 Message: 2419

Hi John - Is there nothing at all on the display? If there is something at the centre of the display, about 1/10" from the top, press the HOLD button for a few seconds till the mark disappears. Then the set should work. If it still doesn't, use a blunt pin to press the RESET. If you still can't get anything - bung it back!
Bob.

From: JohnB123 <johnb123@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wed, 20 January, 2010 11:10:15 AM
Subject: [de1103] New Kaito 1103 DOA?

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2420. Re: New Kaito 1103 DOA?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-20 22:36:38 UTC
From: JohnB123
Topic: 2418 Message: 2420

I tried the Hold button and the reset and still nothing. I callrd the company I bought it from, and they said to return it and they would replce it (they're even paying the shipping). Really good customer service and polite customer service reps. Thanks for the help.
John
--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Bob Yorston <bobyorston@...> wrote:
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2421. Brought my DE1103 off the grid!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-21 08:35:37 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2421 Message: 2421

As I have done with my other receivers, I brought my 1103 off the grid to get away from all the "urban noise". As expected the radio was able to define more and fainter stations! Even the broadcast band was filled with stations and this was in the early afternoon!
With this test I am able to pinpoint two annoyances with the radio that I could not be too sure of. One is that the audio is a bit too bright although the wide narrow switch helps, I think a different cap placement might do the radio good. KIWA has a mod for this and I have seen it on a web page. Second is one I was not too sure of but it seems to me that the BFO is a bit aggressive when it is on. I hear a bit of noise that is best described as static or a "crunchy" sound along with the voices. It seems to be a bit "warbly" at the same time! I am not able to side step this with the filter or DX / LOC switch.
Any ideas on this would be welcome and I am hoping that it is just a simple pot adjustment! I am pleased with the DE1103, and as an early offering of the design along with the Eton and Grundigs, it is a good performer and has it's unique user interfaces like the dial and the memory slots.

73 es gud DX! Rod KB8DNS

2422. Re: [de1103] Re: New Kaito 1103 DOA?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-20 23:30:39 UTC
From: john
Topic: 2418 Message: 2422

Sorry you have such probs. You should share with us the name of the company
that does such a good job.

John K5MO

At 05:36 PM 1/20/2010, you wrote:

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2423. Re: New Kaito 1103 DOA?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-21 13:53:51 UTC
From: JohnB123
Topic: 2418 Message: 2423

I bought it from Universal Radio. They seem to be a great company.
John

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, john <johnmb@...> wrote:
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2424. Re: [de1103] Re: New Kaito 1103 DOA?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-22 00:00:31 UTC
From: john
Topic: 2418 Message: 2424

Ah, yes, and they are great. I was wondering if that was the source.
They're good people there!

At 08:53 AM 1/21/2010, you wrote:
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2425. BFO question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-23 20:52:30 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2425 Message: 2425

I am really pleased with my DE1103 in just about every point, with one exception.... Using SSB the BFO seems to be a bit strong and distorts the signals I am listening to. The use of the DX / LOCAL switch helps but it should not do it at all.
Does anyone know of a mod for this? I am not sure of a level adjust is needed or maybe the change out of a coupling capacitor or maybe a buffer resistor.

73 Rod KB8DNS

2426. RE: [de1103] BFO question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-23 21:17:53 UTC
From: don sadam
Topic: 2425 Message: 2426

My power supply wasn't clean enough to provide distrtion free SSB. Clear as a bell on battereis

To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
From: kb8dns@...m
Date: Sat, 23 Jan 2010 20:52:30 +0000
Subject: [de1103] BFO question

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2427. Re: BFO question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-23 23:47:43 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2425 Message: 2427

Forgot to mention that I was on batteries..... Same thing on DC adapter.

73 Rod KB8DNS

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, don sadam <donsadam@...> wrote:
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2428. RE: [de1103] Re: BFO question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-24 02:41:03 UTC
From: GORDON COOPER
Topic: 2425 Message: 2428

To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
From: kb8dns@...
Date: Sat, 23 Jan 2010 23:47:43 +0000
Subject: [de1103] Re: BFO question

Forgot to mention that I was on batteries..... Same thing on DC adapter.

73 Rod KB8DNS

Dear Rod:

It might be that your item was one of the early models that had a component or two value "off" in the audio amplifier chain. IF that is the case, Kiwa has a fix. IF you are handy with a soldering iron you can buy the kit and replace the capacitors yourself.

What volume setting are you using? To my hearing, the sound of SSB on the DE1103 sounds distorted if I listen higher than an 11, with a slight nod to "Spinal Tap". Try headphones and see if the speaker is the problem.

73,

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM

2429. LW beacon reports

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-27 12:25:24 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2429 Message: 2429

This morning, 12:00 UTC, I copied several beacons on the Long Wave frequencies of 200 to 400 kHz. They are aeronautical nondirectional beacons to mark airports. I was hearing several out of Ontario, Canada at distances from 180 to 310 miles from my QTH in Michigan's upper peninsula.
YXL - Souix Lookout, Ontario, Ca YLD - Chapleau, ON, Ca and QT - Thunder Bay, ON, Ca were among the ones I heard. Copy was from clear and loud to low and lots of noise (QRM). Most had lots of fading (QSB) but can be copied well over a period of time.
These beacons are modulated AM carrier and do not need a BFO to hear them. The Degen DE1103 picked these up with it's built in ferrite antenna and would be better with a loop coupling. Here is a link to a page with many LW NDBs....

http://www.dxinfocentre.com/ndb.htm

73 es gud DX! Rod KB8DNS

2430. another DE-1103 bites the dust

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-28 00:32:06 UTC
From: Moises Knochen
Topic: 2430 Message: 2430

Yesterday one of my two DE-1103 died. The radio (purchased about 3 years ago on Ebay) developed a strong howling noise in all bands (even FM) making reception impossible.

This is not the first time it happened, in the previous time it could be fixed by taking the batteries out for a couple of hours and resetting the unit.

Now the problem returned, first rather intermittently, beginning in the higher bands (i.e. 19 m-band), but now the receiver is unusable. I tried resetting it several times, and also taking the batteries out for some time, without success.

Also I tried using alkaline AA cells instead of rechargeable ones, to no avail.

Currently the howling noise can be heard all across the MW band. On shortwave, the tone of the noise varies with the frequency selected, beginning with a kind of “motorboating” in lower frequencies and rising as the dial is set to higher frequencies. However in the beginning the noise was similar on all bands, being a high-pitched noise.

Interesting enough, this high-pitched noise was very similar to the kind of “blip” normally heard when one changes frequencies rapidly in this receiver. I have read (perhaps in the Russian website radioscanner.ru) that that “blip” is due to a poor design and not very clever selection of components (RC) in connection with the PLL which allows some limited oscillation to occur when changing frequencies, before the PLL settles down. I don’t know if there exists some relationship between the two things (such as the PLL going into a continuous oscillation). Anyhow today the tone varies with the frequency as explained before.

I think that one of the possible causes might be a component going out of specifications. But, what component? Given the complexity of the circuit it is not obvious.

Any suggestion would be welcome.

Meanwhile I will keep going the “magic” way, i.e. taking the batteries out, waiting, installing them again and resetting…

Regards,

Moises Knochen

Montevideo, Uruguay

2431. Re: another DE-1103 bites the dust

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-28 01:29:14 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2430 Message: 2431

Hola Moises.
You are describing an audio problem and I would think it would be associated with the audio circuit since you are hearing it. I would suspect a bad electrolytic capacitor that would block any such noise from the audio amp and speaker. Now the filter cap could be right next to the audio amp or it could be next to the PLL / microprocessor or both. There are some good pics on the NET and here in the files for your reference where these components are. I would replace any suspect ones since you are going into the radio deeply.
It is a simple chassis to work with as it is an easy to disassemble. I will try to find out more and see if I can help out. Also look over the soldering as there might be a bad joint, some electrolytics do not solder well as there may be a leftover flux or simply a cold solder joint, the flow of hot solder does not fuse well if the joint does not heat up to the right temperature. Because the pins of the electrolytic have such a large "sink" for the heat to flow into, these pins are the cold side.

73 es Hasta Luego! Rod KB8DNS

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moises Knochen <moises.knochen@...> wrote:
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> Montevideo, Uruguay
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2432. Re: [de1103] another DE-1103 bites the dust

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-28 07:26:06 UTC
From: hardrain
Topic: 2430 Message: 2432

Il 28/01/2010 01:32, Moises Knochen ha scritto:
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> Yesterday one of my two DE-1103 died. The radio (purchased about 3 years
> ago on Ebay) developed a strong howling noise in all bands (even FM)
> making reception impossible.
[...]

Moises, did you check if the noise is heard also if you tap the audio
from the line out plug? This can indicate if the problem is in the audio
amp section or before.

bye,
Raf i1hny

2433. DE1103 jog dial, then S-meter dies... and then both fixed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-31 05:50:43 UTC
From: Jason
Topic: 2433 Message: 2433

Hi all,
Please forgive the cross-posting (if you happen to monitor different groups like I do).

Like many others, my jog dial operation became erratic, so I opened up the DE1103 and squirted a bit of electronic quality contact cleaner into the jog dial mechanism, and noticed the jog dial wires at the plastic header plug end looked a bit less than ideal, so I carefully pulled the header pins out, reterminated the wires and reinserted them, as well as strengthened the arrangement with a bit of heatshrink over the wires.

After reassemby of the radio, I noticed the DE1103 signal meter no longer worked. The DE1103 was still as sensitive as ever, and would scan and stop on signals as normal, and the battery meter function still worked fine.

The problem turned out to be the flat ribbon cable that joins the two circuit boards together. I'd used a pair of very fine needle nose pliers to insert the ribbon cable into its plug on the CPU circuit board, and in doing so had pinched/bent one conductor close to the 'free' end of that cable. Straightening out the ribbon cable and carefully reinserting it with my fingers only solved the problem.

If you've an unexplained S meter failure on your 1103, after recently tinkering with its insides, take a look at the very delicate ribbon cable and see if its pinched or bent or has a bit of contaminant on the contacts at the 'free' end. One other (unlikely) cause of failure further down the track could be the 10uF electrolytic capacitor on pin 7 of the TA2057N IC - if that were to go short circuit, the S-meter function would definitely fail and likely also have an effect on AM/SSB reception too.

2434. Re: DE1103 jog dial, then S-meter dies... and then both fixed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-31 07:31:39 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2433 Message: 2434

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Jason" <mitaux8030@...> wrote:
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Jason !
Nice info and with lots of practicality.
I had been in servicing electronic and telecom boards

i definitely felt that you have explained, would be surely useful for those interested in servicing their sets at home.

2435. Re: BFO question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-31 12:32:34 UTC
From: Julian Hardstone
Topic: 2425 Message: 2435

The DE1103 does not have a 'BFO' in the tube-era sense, it has a carrier insertion oscillator (CIO)
and a proper balanced mixer (demodulator) for SSB. The CIO level is at a fixed high level, all of
which will minimise distortion

I don't know what sort of distortion you are hearing, but I have made a recording of my new DE1103
as I switch the mode for a strong AM signal and try to zero-beat

http://ukradio.info/temp/DE1103-CIO.mp3
In this clip, I switch to SSB after 5s and back to AM at 23s

Maybe I will do a recording of an SSB signal another time, but I find the SSB performance to be very
good

- Julian

2436. Re: [de1103] DE1103 jog dial, then S-meter dies... and then both fixed

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-31 16:49:58 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2433 Message: 2436

Hi Jason. You were very lucky! Those ribbon cables are delicate, and very hard to re-insert without damaging them. I would recommend not disconnecting them unless you really need to! Then be very carefull with them! I have worked on a couple of Kaito KA1103s and a G5, and though it was a little awkward, I managed without disconnecting the ribbon cable.

TTYL

Jason wrote:
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2437. Ten meters open!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-31 23:23:11 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2437 Message: 2437

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2438. Re: [de1103] Ten meters open!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-01-31 23:50:29 UTC
From: john
Topic: 2437 Message: 2438

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2439. Re: Ten meters open!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-01 01:09:38 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2437 Message: 2439

I do not have any clue as to what the input impedance is for most any receiver.... I would assume it would be around 300 ohms. One would think that a tuner used between the antenna and the radio to match the input but one has to have a good ground to complete the antenna circuit. A cut antenna would be perfect match for the frequency but the farther you tune from the match the less it would work unless harmonics come into play.
Receivers are not that "picky" about the antenna but the G3 did not work well at higher frequencies till I used a proper cut antenna. BTW I was using my 20 year old homebrew three element YAGI with a gamma match. It is tuned for 28.400 but will cover well from 26.8 through 29.5 mHz.

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2440. Re: Ten meters open!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-01 03:42:26 UTC
From: norsk4488
Topic: 2437 Message: 2440

It's always good to hear that any of the upper bands are open but 10 m has been difficult for years now. I rememeber the "good old days" 1980s when everything from 10m to 160m was WIDE open and often very long....It was an exciting time in HAM radio.

2441. Re: BFO question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-01 19:59:20 UTC
From: Julian Hardstone
Topic: 2425 Message: 2441

I did a loudspeaker recording of some SSB for comparison
http://ukradio.info/temp/DE1103-SSB.mp3
First, the 1103 on AM, then on SSB, then for comparison an ICOM PCR1000 with external antenna

2442. Caution about static build-up in this dry season

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-04 23:43:03 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2442 Message: 2442

In an other group I have been reading and posting about static build-up causing problems with receivers such as memory loss, lock-up and front end damage. I thought it would be proper to relate this info here.
Most of you have experienced getting "zapped" when you touch a grounded metal object after walking across a carpet. This kind of action can be bad on your radio and not only from walking on carpet but dryness of the home or radio room. Especially in Winter this problem happens as cold air reduces the humidity and heating drys it out even more. Hot air furnaces can really build up static with the moving air stream. Clothing is another place where this can happen and most any material can become static prone.
To prevent this use a properly grounded station for your radio, avoid using your radio in carpeted rooms, bedding can build up a charge and plastic soles on your shoes can make an electron charge potential just waiting to be grounded. Other ways are to use anti-static spray, wash you cloths and bedding with a fabric softener, use a humidifier or boil water and enjoy a cup of English tea as you listen to the BBC! The water released to the air will help reduce the potential. make sure the cloths dryer is grounded and let your dried clothes rest a bit before you use them.

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2443. Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-12 11:27:12 UTC
From: Federico Tomasczik
Topic: 2443 Message: 2443

Hello:

Sorry for my English...

I have my Kaito KA 1103 since two weeks ago.

This is a great receptor but i don't know some data, like antenna impedance.

Anybody knows this value?

Thanks, from Argentina!

Federico Christian Tomasczik

2444. Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-12 16:01:51 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2444 Message: 2444

Hi Federico - No need to apologise for the English - your English is 10,000 times better than my (non-existant) Spanish! While it is assumed that any good sythesised receiver is a nominal 50 ohms input impedance, most of the manufacturers are (perhaps wisely) not prepared to quote a value! Because of the coupling arrangements, the input impedance can vary widely with change in frequency. If I must give limits, anywhere between 5 and 1,000 ohms! This is why a good, universal antenna tuner can help it doesn't have to handle power, just a wide impedance range. There is one other way an antenna tuner, or better still, a tuned pre-amplifier, can help - most synthesised receivers nowadays (unless one spends over $1,000) do not have the front end tuned. Yes - they may be sensitive, and use very low-noise semicondustors up front, but putting a sharply-tuning device in front can still perform miracles if done the right way!
Bob Yorston, Vk2CAN, from Australia.

2445. Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-13 08:56:13 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2443 Message: 2445

In general the Antenna impedance of the Receiver is 75 ohms,
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2446. Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-13 09:51:10 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2443 Message: 2446

Hi Mvs,
where did you read that the receiver's input impedance is 75 ohms ?
This earlier thread <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/message/2184>
was unable to identify the impedance.
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2447. Re: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-13 11:14:03 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2443 Message: 2447

Hi folks - Having checked the literature and found nothing, I checked the circuit and found:-
1. Using the antenna input socket - J1 - which only works from 100KHz to 30MHz - the signal first goes to a low-pass filter (L109,C135,L110,C132) - typically at 30MHz, then to B1 - which I suspect is a balun, to the gates of 2 FET's (Q6,Q7) which are a balanced mixer. The impedance at this point should be several thousand ohms, but maybe B1 steps up the signal, which would reduce the impedance somewhat.
2. When the attenuator is switched in, an attenuator consisting of R105 (330 ohms) and R106 (68 ohms) is inserted immediately after J1 - this would give an input impedance of 400 odd ohms.
Having analysed this, I stand corrected - for anything below 30MHz, the input impedance should be of the order of 10K (attenuator off) and 400 ohms (attenuator working).
Bob.

From: silva_halide <forums@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sat, 13 February, 2010 8:51:10 PM
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2448. Re: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-13 18:33:38 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2443 Message: 2448

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2449. RE: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-13 18:59:23 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2443 Message: 2449

Sorry to see this topic so late, it is 50 Ohm. But don't suggest use too long external antenna or input the high gain signal because has the pre-amilifer added from 2nd version, that may will cause overloading.

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of martin
Sent: 2010年2月14日 02:34
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Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

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2450. Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-13 20:48:42 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2443 Message: 2450

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2451. Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-13 21:01:27 UTC
From: george_kassavetis
Topic: 2443 Message: 2451

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2452. Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-14 02:04:08 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2443 Message: 2452

Hi Tao Qu,

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2453. Re: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-14 03:16:12 UTC
From: Federico Tomasczik
Topic: 2443 Message: 2453

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I'm sorry, but all this is like a faith cuestion and I'm incredulous...

My vote is for Bob. He has explicated your theory and convinced me for now.

Do not let us quarrel for my question.

Thanks to all!!

Federico Christian Tomasczik

2454. Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-14 05:08:18 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2443 Message: 2454

Here is my 2 cents worth.....

The input impedance is dependent upon the front end design and requirement of the FET amps. If the antenna circuit does not match then the FET (front end) will overload or be mismatched to when it cannot "hear". A tuning preamp can help level this out, even a simple homebrew tuning capacitor will help. As far as the quantitative value in OHMs or MHOs is irrelevant as this figure belongs in the design studio.
In a real world the proper antenna match is what you can hear the best with and the radio's signal meter goes up. In SSB there may be no signal but you can still hear them better with a properly tuned antenna. A random antenna will work well at various frequencies, I have good luck wit 30 feet of copper wire, longer or shorter makes the radio "hear" less. I would presume a multiple of 30 feet would do as well.
A band pass filter can help if there is overloading from nearby stations and this is dependent on the selectivity of the radio in use. Amateur radios for HF have these bandpass filters built in but they are selective of the nine amateur bands and the receive goes down a tad when tuned out of the HAM bands. These filters are not included with most SW receivers.
Best way to optimize your station receive is to use a pre-tuner and orient the antenna to lower the noise floor. A home brew tuner is fun to build and makes a neat station accessory. DSP is nice but the few I have tried leaves digital "artifacts" in the headphones.
I guess when it all comes down to the nitty gritty, a good antenna is the key and matching it is better.

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2455. Distortion

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-14 14:07:28 UTC
From: john
Topic: 2443 Message: 2455

An earlier poster noted distortion when in SSB using an external antenna. This is not a function of the antenna impedance, but is in fact fundamental overload due to the increased signal strength from the larger antennas.

This happens in all radios. In earlier days, an RF gain control was provided for just this purpose and in early communication receivers, the best way to receive undistorted CW and SSB signals was to turn the audio gain full up, and use the RF gain to control volume . This also had the effect of eliminating the distortion due to overload of the front end, and worked quite well.

The 1103 has no RF gain, and depends on AGC (Automatic Gain Control) to reduce the sensitivity when needed due to the presence of strong signals. This it does quite well on the integral whip antenna, but not so well with an external antenna. Someone posted earlier that wrapping insulated wire around the existing whip helped...indeed it will as the coupling is not so efficient as a bare wire and the gain from the larger antenna is reduced.

The 1103 is plenty sensitive and given its AGC action and lack of manual RF gain control, the alternate (Arm-Strong :-)) method of "RF Gain Control" is to limit the signal coming in the antenna by not connecting a huge wire to it. There's probably a sweet spot beyond which adding length begins to overload the front end of the receiver. This will depend on the frequency , the time of day, etc.

The 1103 is a fine $70 receiver that can fit in one's pocket , and it has some fundamental limitations that one has to live with.

John

2456. RE: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-14 16:37:13 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2443 Message: 2456

Hi Peter,

I back from an 7000 km self-driving travel a couple days ago, so I have not read the all topics carefully, I assume you are talking the external antenna input impedance on DE1103 radio, if is, then the answer should be 50 Ohm.

In my image, I had talked this with the designer before when we developing the new loop antenna, and I remember the answer is 50 Ohm...-:)

Regards,
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2457. RE: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-14 16:47:57 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2443 Message: 2457

Hi Martin and all,

For the DE1103, there are some design changes on the external antenna input socket in history.
On the 1st version, the external antenna input support for FM, SW and FM, and without the pre-amp, but from the 2nd version, it supports the FM and SW only, and added the pre-AMP, so this is why I mentioned don't suggest the too long wire antenna or high strong signal inputs.

For radios selling...actually the 2009, is unluck for me, the continued health problems caused too much troubles to me and my customers. In this 2010, I will full time focus on radios selling, I am working on this now, if you have any questions or help needed, please feel free to let me know.

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2458. RE: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-14 16:50:04 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2443 Message: 2458

Hi Peter,

As I wrote in the previous email, I remember it should be 50 Ohm by talking with the designer in before. I will double check with the designer again later, now is in Chinese traditioanl new year holiday season, I can not find anyone...-:)

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2459. RE: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-14 16:56:54 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2443 Message: 2459

The good discussion is more helpful for all us to use the DE1103 more better, so it really is my pleasure if can help! -:)

Regards,
-Tao Qu

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Federico Tomasczik
Sent: 2010年2月14日 11:16
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

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I'm sorry, but all this is like a faith cuestion and I'm incredulous...

My vote is for Bob. He has explicated your theory and convinced me for now.

Do not let us quarrel for my question.

Thanks to all!!

Federico Christian Tomasczik

2460. RE: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-14 17:00:35 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2443 Message: 2460

I fully agree Rod's points, the good pre-tuner and antenna!

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of kb8dns
Sent: 2010年2月14日 13:08
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

Here is my 2 cents worth.....

The input impedance is dependent upon the front end design and requirement of the FET amps. If the antenna circuit does not match then the FET (front end) will overload or be mismatched to when it cannot "hear". A tuning preamp can help level this out, even a simple homebrew tuning capacitor will help. As far as the quantitative value in OHMs or MHOs is irrelevant as this figure belongs in the design studio.
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I guess when it all comes down to the nitty gritty, a good antenna is the key and matching it is better.

73 es gud DX! Rod KB8DNS

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2461. Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-14 18:33:03 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2443 Message: 2461

ä½ å¥½ Tao Qu!

I too had a bad 2009 and happy that it is over! Not that I need another radio but I would very much like to purchase the new Degen DE1106 as it seems to be a notch up on the G3. I have had my DE1103 only about two months and it's simplicity is it's shining star! Mine was used and it came with a missing "kick stand" and I would like to replace it but I do not know where to purchase one and how in the world do you install it? the battery door is simple but the stand....

è°¢è°¢ä½ for your input to the group! 73 es gud DX! Rod KB8DNS

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tao Qu" <tquchina@...> wrote:
>
> Hi Martin and all,
>
> For the DE1103, there are some design changes on the external antenna input socket in history.
> On the 1st version, the external antenna input support for FM, SW and FM, and without the pre-amp, but from the 2nd version, it supports the FM and SW only, and added the pre-AMP, so this is why I mentioned don't suggest the too long wire antenna or high strong signal inputs.
>
> For radios selling...actually the 2009, is unluck for me, the continued health problems caused too much troubles to me and my customers. In this 2010, I will full time focus on radios selling, I am working on this now, if you have any questions or help needed, please feel free to let me know.
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> Regards,
> - Tao Qu
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2462. Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-15 00:07:31 UTC
From: bobyorston
Topic: 2443 Message: 2462

Hi Tao Qu - Can you help me with some information please? In other posts you have mentioned a "version 2" - with a L/W-B/C-S/W RF Amplifier. When I last looked, the only schematics in Files in this group relate to the old, original 1103. Have you any later schematics, and after which serial numbers, etc does which apply?
Bob.

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2463. Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-15 04:16:31 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2443 Message: 2463

OOPS,
There was a additional '0' inadvertently. I meant that the inverted L would have an impedance of 450 ohms. I watch the other replies with enthusiasm and would like to comment later on various opinions.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mvs" <mvs_sarma@...> wrote:
>
> In general the Antenna impedance of the Receiver is 75 ohms,
> while the inverted L antenna (long wire) is said too be 4500 ohms approximately
> Perhaps one can think for a matching transformer using a bal-un core , winding 9 turns towards antenna and 3 turns towards Rx
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2464. Re: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-15 16:32:21 UTC
From: hardrain
Topic: 2443 Message: 2464

Il 13/02/2010 12:14, Bob Yorston ha scritto:
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From my tests results that the input is not active in the LF band - my receiver reacts to signals fed to the antenna socket only if tuned above 500 kHz. Can anyone confirm that the 1103 antenna input works as low as 100kHz?

Thanks!

Raffaello I1HNY

2465. Re: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-15 17:03:27 UTC
From: Lido Pasquesi
Topic: 2443 Message: 2465

On my radio the external antenna is only for sw. On MW you can only use the internal ferrite antenna.
Lido i5wnn
----- Original Message -----
From: hardrain
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, February 15, 2010 5:32 PM
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2466. Re: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-15 20:46:03 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2443 Message: 2466

Hi All - Unfortunately, there are several different variants of DE1103's - some have an RF stage ahead of the mixer - others don't. Some have the FM antenna going to the external antenna socket which disconnects the telescopic rod when a plug is inserted. Some only have S/W going to the external antenna socket, and not B/C and L/W.
The circuit which appears in FILES in this GROUP seems to be an early one, with no RF Amp, FM not going to the external antenna, and L/W, M/W and S/W all going to the external antenna socket. I've asked Tao Qu of tchina (Apologies if I've got the name wrong!) if he could clarify and provide up-to-date schematics, and any indication of which serial number meeans which model (variant), but he seems to have gone silent on the subject!
Bob.

From: hardrain <i1hnyxxx@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tue, 16 February, 2010 3:32:21 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

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2467. Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-16 10:11:21 UTC
From: krysatec
Topic: 2443 Message: 2467

Hi all,

I have DE1103 A015058 and i can use antenna input for SW and also for FM band.

I can use also the same antenna input for band 0-100kHz, LW and MW band, but here you must use only tuning by "knob", NO direct setting!

If you use "software modification from Russia" for receiving lower than 100kHz, your feritte antenna is OFF! NOW you can tune by knob in band 0kHz...LW...to end of MW band and you can use ONLY external antenna via antenna input now!

Antenna input is Hi-Z input! You can use "longwire" without "unun" 9:1, but here is not problem if you use also "coax cable" from active preselector etc.

One idea: if you use tunable feritte antenna with short wires to input, you can connect it direct to input: no other you need!
You can use tunable external feritte antenna to receiving lower than 100kHz! (For instance 77,5kHz time station in Europe)

Sorry, I hope that you understan me, i speak english a little!

Best regards, Jara "Rat", Czechia, EU

2468. Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-17 09:38:33 UTC
From: eftyacme
Topic: 2443 Message: 2468

Hi "Rat",

First of all I agree your opinion about the impedance of DE1103 which is around 300 ohm. By the way I use your preselector which is absolutely great with the DE1103. I buid it around 2005.

Now for those who want listen LW & MW without the ferrite rod and listen under 100Khz, here is the method to apply to store:

DE-1103 : Tuning from 000 to 099 kHz

STORING 000 kHz IN MEMORY "99":

1. retract fully the antenna
2. switch DX/LO to "LO" [aka attenuator on]

Note: step #1 and #2 reduce stopping during scanning

3. turn on the radio
4. enter: 21951 [BAND+]

Note: the display shows no square around any meter band

5. press and hold [BAND-] until downward scanning begins
6. wait for the display to read lower than 100 kHz

Note: this scan process will take about 14.5 minutes

7. press [Band+] to stop while tuned between 0 and 99 kHz

Note: if you go past simply press and hold [Band+]

8. turn the tuning dial until 000 kHz is displayed
9. enter: "99" STORE STORE

Note: now memory 99 has 000 kHz for future access

10. remember to switch DX/LO back to "DX"

FUTURE USAGE

1. enter: "99" [M/F] then press [M/F] again
2. turn the tuning dial upward from 000 kHz

OTHER USAGES

Storing other values into memory while in this mode allows
continuous scanning up or down from those values as well.
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The above procedure switches the antenna from the internal ferrite to the telescopic rod or external ant jack, for *all* frequencies including 0 - 1710kHz

73's QRO, Best of all and good DX

Yves - FE 1683 - Paris France

2469. DE 31

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-19 08:03:46 UTC
From: bobyorston
Topic: 2469 Message: 2469

Hi Folks - I picked up a DE 31 for just about the right price. I would have kicked myself if I'd paid $30, as it used to be, but I guess its previous owner has effectively "traded it in" on a DE 31 MS!
Has anyone got a circuit or a detailed manual?
I remember somebody commenting that he'd opened the control box up, and there was an IF transformer - presumably in the output circuit.
I can elaborate on that slightly -
The "amplifier" consists of one varicap in parallel with the loop, then one FET.
The "control box" consists of the 2 AAA cells, a power switch, a RFC and output coupling capacitor. Everything else in the "control box" is involved in steering the varicap - 2 transitors feed the "IFT" oscillator/step-up coil - half-wave rectified and filtered, gives +13.2V to the pot - moving arm goes to the varicap, giving +0.4V (4MHz) to +13.2V (22MHz) to reverse-bias the varicap.
The cable between the "control box" and the "amplifier" is:-
Outer = earth.
Next = varicap control voltage (+0.4V to +13.2V).
Centre (tip) = DC supply to/output from the "amplifier".
While I haven't met a DE 31 MS, I suppose there is a switch on the "amplifier" to connect a higher capacitance varicap across the original one.
Any comments - actual circuits - manual - anything?
Bob.

2470. DE1103 External Antenna Impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-19 08:22:26 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2443 Message: 2470

Hi All,

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Regards,
- Tao Qu

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Sent: 2010年2月15日 00:50
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

Hi Peter,

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2471. RE: [de1103] DE1103 External Antenna Impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-19 08:29:05 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2443 Message: 2471
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hi All,

Hope you all have the good listening in the new year 2010, and the best wishs for you and your family! -:)

PS. my corner...

Regards,
- Tao Qu

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2472. Re: DE1103 External Antenna Impedance

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Date: 2010-02-19 09:22:36 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2443 Message: 2472

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So the final verdict from the designer of the DE1103 is that the
external antenna input impedance is:

"around 1KOhm"

Tao Qu, as per Bob's suggestion, if there are any schematics more recent
than the ones available in the files section and you have access to
them, would you be able to upload them ?

regards
Peter

2473. Re: [de1103] DE1103 External Antenna Impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-19 09:54:02 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2443 Message: 2473

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2474. Re: [de1103] Re: DE1103 External Antenna Impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-19 11:37:23 UTC
From: john
Topic: 2443 Message: 2474

I suspect this is true *for the version with the RF amp* .

John

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2475. Where is the Serial Number?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-19 22:43:25 UTC
From: brunomarado
Topic: 2443 Message: 2475

Hello,
I bought a DE1103 last January, and I'm impressed with it!
Unfortunatly I looked everywhere and I can't find a serial number, just a stick inside the batt compartement with the writting "12/2009" that I believe should be the manufacture date. Where is the Serial number on your radio?
By the way, does anyone have an idea about how many DE1103/KA1103/T&K have been produced up to today?

Regarding the Ext. ant. impedance, I use a DEGEN DE31MS active antenna with both my Eton E1 (50 Ohm input) and my DE1103, and I don't see any difference on their behavior. Both perform well with the DE31MS. What does this means regarding the DE1103 ext. ant. impedance?

Best regards,
Bruno
Portugal

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2476. Re: [de1103] Where is the Serial Number?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-20 03:34:46 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2443 Message: 2476

Hi - The sticker inside the battery box normally has the serial number on it - I think it's normally a letter followed by 7 numbers.
Bob.

From: brunomarado <bsmarado@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sat, 20 February, 2010 9:43:25 AM
Subject: [de1103] Where is the Serial Number?

Hello,
I bought a DE1103 last January, and I'm impressed with it!
Unfortunatly I looked everywhere and I can't find a serial number, just a stick inside the batt compartement with the writting "12/2009" that I believe should be the manufacture date. Where is the Serial number on your radio?
By the way, does anyone have an idea about how many DE1103/KA1103/ T&K have been produced up to today?

Regarding the Ext. ant. impedance, I use a DEGEN DE31MS active antenna with both my Eton E1 (50 Ohm input) and my DE1103, and I don't see any difference on their behavior. Both perform well with the DE31MS. What does this means regarding the DE1103 ext. ant. impedance?

Best regards,
Bruno
Portugal

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2477. RE: [de1103] Re: DE1103 External Antenna Impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-22 08:07:54 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2443 Message: 2477

Hi Peter,

Yes, that is the answer I got from the designer. For the schematics, sorry I don't have the new in hand also, but I checked the one in the group file section, seems it is same as the one in my hand in currently.

Regards,
- Tao Qu

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of silva_halide
Sent: 2010年2月19日 17:23
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: DE1103 External Antenna Impedance

Hi Tao Qu,

Many thanks for getting back to us with an authoritative answer !
So the final verdict from the designer of the DE1103 is that the external antenna input impedance is:

"around 1KOhm"

Tao Qu, as per Bob's suggestion, if there are any schematics more recent than the ones available in the files section and you have access to them, would you be able to upload them ?

regards
Peter

2478. RE: [de1103] DE1103 External Antenna Impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-22 08:42:20 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2443 Message: 2478

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2479. RE: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-22 09:03:22 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2443 Message: 2479

Hi All,

I uploaded the schematics I have to group already, but I didn't find any difference with the others.

a. when the external antenna plugged, the telescopic antenna is disabled.
b. Q1 is for the SW signal RF amp (both for telescopic antenna and external antenna).
c. Q14 is for the LW and MW signal RF amp (ferrite rod only).
d. IC1 is for the FM signal RF amp and some other functions.

Regards,
- Tao Qu

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Bob Yorston
Sent: 2010年2月16日 04:46
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

Hi All - Unfortunately, there are several different variants of DE1103's - some have an RF stage ahead of the mixer - others don't. Some have the FM antenna going to the external antenna socket which disconnects the telescopic rod when a plug is inserted. Some only have S/W going to the external antenna socket, and not B/C and L/W.
The circuit which appears in FILES in this GROUP seems to be an early one, with no RF Amp, FM not going to the external antenna, and L/W, M/W and S/W all going to the external antenna socket. I've asked Tao Qu of tchina (Apologies if I've got the name wrong!) if he could clarify and provide up-to-date schematics, and any indication of which serial number meeans which model (variant), but he seems to have gone silent on the subject!
Bob.

From: hardrain <i1hnyxxx@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tue, 16 February, 2010 3:32:21 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

Il 13/02/2010 12:14, Bob Yorston ha scritto:
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> Hi folks - Having checked the literature and found nothing, I checked
> the circuit and found:-

> 1. Using the antenna input socket - J1 - which only works from 100KHz to
> 30MHz - [...]

From my tests results that the input is not active in the LF band - my receiver reacts to signals fed to the antenna socket only if tuned above 500 kHz. Can anyone confirm that the 1103 antenna input works as low as 100kHz?

Thanks!

Raffaello I1HNY

2480. RE: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-22 09:11:03 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2443 Message: 2480

Hi Rod,

The DE1106 is available already, hope it can be online soon...-:)

Regards,
-Tao Qu

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of kb8dns
Sent: 2010年2月15日 02:33
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: Antenna impedance

ä½ å¥½ Tao Qu!

I too had a bad 2009 and happy that it is over! Not that I need another radio but I would very much like to purchase the new Degen DE1106 as it seems to be a notch up on the G3. I have had my DE1103 only about two months and it's simplicity is it's shining star! Mine was used and it came with a missing "kick stand" and I would like to replace it but I do not know where to purchase one and how in the world do you install it? the battery door is simple but the stand....

è°¢è°¢ä½ for your input to the group! 73 es gud DX! Rod KB8DNS

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2481. Re: [de1103] DE1103 External Antenna Impedance

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-22 10:07:58 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2443 Message: 2481

Hi Tao Qu - By "dummy plug" I meant a 3.5mm stereo plug - with nothing connected to it - inserting that into the antenna input socket will "kill" FM - as it disconnects the telescopic antenna in later sets, not in earlier ones. Incidentally, I have a MkII - no protective diodes - now added, which had several dry joints around the 1st mixer. Also a MkIV - fine. Also a MkIIIV - this can't be Roman Numbers, because such a number wouldn't exist - dry joint in S/W pre-amp.
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Send instant messages to your online friends http://au.messenger.yahoo.com

2482. VOL problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-22 12:20:31 UTC
From: hermolaus
Topic: 2482 Message: 2482

Hello everyone!

I'm Hermolaus (that's my internet ID) and I come from Poland, Europe.

I'm a Degen DE1103 user since last year. I bought it from a friend.

My DE1103 used to work like that:
On the main area of LCD it used to display frequency in big digits.
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When I wanted to change volume, I used to press "VOL" button, and DE1103 used to display two smaller digits in the upper right section of the LCD and the blinking "VOL" indicator. The digits were for volume value. After 2-3 second both digits and "VOL" indicator used to disappear.

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On Saturday I was listening to the radio and my alkaline batteries were going weaker and weaker. After a while the radio displayed the blinking indicator for exhausted batteries. Nevertheless I decided to run on them till the very end. To monitor their currency I pushed the "VOL" button. Than on that moment a strange thing happened. The LCD showed the battery sign and the bars on the upper left side of the LCD, and - as usually - the "VOL" indicator and two-digit volume value on the upper right side of the LCD. Then, after 2-3 seconds, the battery sign and bars disappeared, but the "VOL" sign and the two digits on the upper right side remained. The only difference was that the "VOL" indicator stopped to blink.

I tried to reset the radio using the "RESET" button, but it didn't help at all. I changed the exhausted batteries I was using to the new ones, and it didn't change anything. I also removed all the batteries from my DE1103 for a day long to reset it, but it also didn't help.

The result is that as soon as I turn on my Degen it shows the frequency on the main part of LCD, and it displays the "VOL" indicator and two-digit value value on the upper right corner of LCD continuously. The volume remains to be displayed all over the time.
When I now push the "VOL" button the "VOL" indicator simply starts to blink for 2-3 seconds, and then it remains displayed continuously (instead of disappearing).

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1) Did something similar ever happen to anyone of you?
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TIA!

Hermolaus
from Poland

2483. Re: [de1103] VOL problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-02-22 19:26:13 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2482 Message: 2483

Hi

What you have described is normal operation, if you want to have the memory displayed (or volume level) all you need to do is to press the M/F button on the top left hand front corner, this will toggle between the two.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "hermolaus" <hermolaus@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 23, 2010 1:20 AM
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2484. G3 Design

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-01 00:01:39 UTC
From: ion3
Topic: 2484 Message: 2484

Hi,

I realize this is the 1103 group, but there seems to be a lot of highly knowlegeable folk here.
There's a "G3 Design" thread in the G3 group looking for pictures of a production G3 PCB (front and back), or preferably a schematic - can anyone here help, either in this group or the G3 group ?

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Grundig_G3/

Thanks, (in advance)
73s, John

2485. Help! My Degen works only in FM!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-11 08:48:37 UTC
From: Marco Pozzobon
Topic: 2485 Message: 2485

Hi to everyone,
I own a Degen 1103 from
some
years. I did the modify to reach freqs above 100 khz some days
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arrival, and no hardware/electronic modify was made inside. So,
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Please help!
Thanx in
advance!
Marco

2486. Re: [de1103] Help! My Degen works only in FM!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-11 12:33:57 UTC
From: Moises Knochen
Topic: 2485 Message: 2486

Marco,
one possibility is that the front-end transistor (FET) has blown due to static high voltage. That is a classical problem of this receiver, although the latest versions seem to have a protection circuit for the FET. The obvious cure would be to replace the FET.

The DE1103 is also known as an idiosincratic radio as to its software and problems may arise when the batteries are left to discharge to very low voltages, causing the microprocessor to operate in mysterious ways. I have heard that when this condition occurs it is very hard to get out of it, usually just resetting the unit won't work and it is often necessary to take the batteries out and leave the radio unoperative for a long time before attempting a general reset.

Hope this will help

Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

2010/3/11 Marco Pozzobon <mp_darkstar@...>

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From: mp_darkstar
Topic: 2485 Message: 2487

Thanx Moises!

Your help is very appreciated!
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If front-end transistor (FET) is the problem, have you an idea where to find a replacement and relative documentation?

Thanx again,

Marco.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moises Knochen <moises.knochen@...> wrote:
>
> Marco,
> one possibility is that the front-end transistor (FET) has blown due to
> static high voltage. That is a classical problem of this receiver, although
> the latest versions seem to have a protection circuit for the FET. The
> obvious cure would be to replace the FET.
>
> The DE1103 is also known as an idiosincratic radio as to its software and
> problems may arise when the batteries are left to discharge to very low
> voltages, causing the microprocessor to operate in mysterious ways. I have
> heard that when this condition occurs it is very hard to get out of it,
> usually just resetting the unit won't work and it is often necessary to take
> the batteries out and leave the radio unoperative for a long time before
> attempting a general reset.
>
> Hope this will help
>
> Moises Knochen
> Montevideo, Uruguay
>
> 2010/3/11 Marco Pozzobon <mp_darkstar@...>
>
> >
> >

> > Hi to everyone,
> > I own a Degen 1103 from some years. I did the modify to reach freqs above
> > 100 khz some days from its arrival, and no hardware/electronic modify was
> > made inside. So, my Degen worked properly for a long time...
> > After a period of inactivity of some months, I've turned on it once more to
> > hear SW , but, I don't know why, now it's impossibile to tune any signal
> > all over SW or MW frequencies! :-(
> > I've tried to reset, open and close the radio to check if anything is
> > disconnected or damaged (even if I powered it always with accumulators).
> > Nothing helped to make it tune again stations in SW or MW. Only in FM it
> > works perfect.
> > Until the day it stop working, I used a simply random wire and Degen Loop
> > antenna as additional hardwares. It was always poered with accu (and these
> > were always charged with their own charger). I know that software mod to
> > receive under 100 khz esclude the internal ferrite antenna, but connecting
> > any type of external antenna (loop, wire) changes this situation!
> > Please help!
> > Thanx in advance!
> > Marco
> >
> >
>

2488. Re: [de1103] Re: Help! My Degen works only in FM!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-12 13:27:23 UTC
From: Paul M
Topic: 2485 Message: 2488

If you go to the groups' website there's details in the 'Files' section.

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> From: mp_darkstar <mp_darkstar@...>
> Subject: [de1103] Re: Help! My Degen works only in FM!
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Friday, 12 March, 2010, 12:01
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> Thanx again,
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> Marco.
>

2489. de1103/ka1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-12 14:25:48 UTC
From: Antonios Kekalos
Topic: 2489 Message: 2489

Just took delivery of a KA1103 and wondering if there are any differences between the de1103 and the ka1103? Thanks in advance.

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Tony Kekalos
Traverse City, MI
SWLR-RN072
EN74es

2490. Re: [de1103] de1103/ka1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-13 02:52:40 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2489 Message: 2490

Hi Tony - The only difference is the label!
Enjoy and welcome,
Bob.

From: Antonios Kekalos <akekalos@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sat, 13 March, 2010 1:25:48 AM
Subject: [de1103] de1103/ka1103

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2491. Re: [de1103] de1103/ka1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-13 03:34:59 UTC
From: Antonios Kekalos
Topic: 2489 Message: 2491

Thanks, Bob.

On Fri, Mar 12, 2010 at 6:52 PM, Bob Yorston <bobyorston@yahoo.com.au>wrote:

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2492. Re: Help! My Degen works only in FM!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-13 11:07:45 UTC
From: mp_darkstar
Topic: 2485 Message: 2492

Thanx! Now the only thing I need is a FET replacement...
Does someone know where to find one?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Paul M <pmooney22@...> wrote:
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2493. RE: [de1103] Re: Help! My Degen works only in FM!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-13 11:29:41 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2485 Message: 2493

Hello Marco,

I am not sure where you bought it, but I think I can help you on this, please send your shipping address to me (tquchina@...) and I will find some replacement parts for you. -:)

Regards,
- Tao Qu

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of mp_darkstar
Sent: 2010年3月13日 19:08
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: Help! My Degen works only in FM!

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2494. Re: [de1103] Re: Help! My Degen works only in FM!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-13 19:30:20 UTC
From: Moises Knochen
Topic: 2485 Message: 2494

2010/3/13 mp_darkstar <mp_darkstar@...>

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>
> Thanx! Now the only thing I need is a FET replacement...
>

... and the technology to solder and handle SMD transistors! If you do not have the appropriate tools, better find a qualified technician. Those miniature devices are not easy to handle, and besides field-effect transistors (FETs) are easy to fry!

Regards and good luck

Moises

2495. New DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-13 23:14:06 UTC
From: phylisrn
Topic: 2495 Message: 2495

I just received my DE1103 from China. Do they come with a clear wrap over the LCD? Also it looks like the speaker panel has a small dent. I wonder if I have a used unit?
I bought it from EBAy.

Thanks,
Phyllis

2496. Newbie

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-13 22:12:50 UTC
From: phylisrn
Topic: 2496 Message: 2496

Hi all, I received my DE1103 today.
I am experimenting with the fm dial. I get very good coverage, but
when I put my hand on the unit I get even better coverage. Does that mean I need to improve my antenna?
I am reading over all of these messgaes, but I will have many questions!!

Phyllis

2497. Adapter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-13 23:33:07 UTC
From: phylisrn
Topic: 2497 Message: 2497

Sorry for so many questions, but I just think I got a bad unit. I hear a ton of static in the unit and it barely picks up any SW even at night.
This is not my first radio,my other radios did pick up signals.
My adapter says 200 ma and 5v, all of the radios on EBAY says it has a 8V 300 volt.
My radio works better on batteries. Maybe I also have a bad adapter too. Gosh maybe I have been scammed?

Phyllis

2498. Re: [de1103] Adapter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-14 08:35:52 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2497 Message: 2498

Hi Phyllis - A normal adaptor for a DE1103 should give at least 6V. The total currnet drain of the radio should be 100mA, and the chrging current for the batteries should be another 100mA, so 200mA in toyal should be fine. One other thing, it is better to use a normal old-fashioned (un-regulated) plug-pack - not a modern, compact, switch-mode plug-pack, as the interference caused by the latter is positively unreal! It would be cheaper to buy a suitable one locally than to get one from China.
In regard to poor short-wave performance, is the switch on the top left-hand side (ATTENUATOR) in the correct position?
\Bob.

From: phylisrn <phylisrn@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sun, 14 March, 2010 10:33:07 AM
Subject: [de1103] Adapter

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2499. Re: [de1103] Adapter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-14 13:06:31 UTC
From: Federico Tomasczik
Topic: 2497 Message: 2499

Hello Phyllis/Bob:

Sorry for my English!

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I had a similar problem with the adapter.

In my case, the input voltage was 110 V when in Argentina the electric
line is 220 V. I could use a 220V/110 V transformer but, this isn't
very "portable".

And so, I used an "old" 12 V adapter, I opened the plastic box and I
could solder a voltage regulator LM 7808.

This work fine for me.

Bye!

Federico Ch. Tomasczik

2500. Re: Adapter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-14 13:29:37 UTC
From: phylisrn
Topic: 2497 Message: 2500

Yes, the dx switch is on. The sounds are muffled.
I made sure the SSB switch was not on. The shortwave comes in better when I run the unit on batteries. When I connect it to the SOny adaptor is when a lot of noise really comes in.
What kind of adapter should I get?

Thanks
Phyllis
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2501. RE: [de1103] Adapter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-14 15:56:45 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2497 Message: 2501

Hi Phyllis,

It should be +8V/300mA DC supply and the plug is center positive.

Regards,
- Tao Qu

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of phylisrn
Sent: 2010年3月14日 07:33
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Adapter

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2502. Re: Help! My Degen works only in FM!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-14 18:20:49 UTC
From: Nelson B
Topic: 2485 Message: 2502

Marco,

Here's an inexpensive source in case TQ can't send them.

http://www.westfloridacomponents.com/mm5/merchant.mvc?Screen=PROD&Product_Code=T066&Category_Code=GeneralPurposeTransistors&Store_Code=wfc

Nelson

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2503. Re: [de1103] Adapter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-14 20:50:24 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2497 Message: 2503

Hi All - Tao Qui shouild know, as he sells and (I think) services them, but -
1. Some manuals say 8V, 300mA in specifications.
2. Other manuals say 6V, 300mA in specifications.
3. If the circuit is to be believed, there is only D11 (a power diode) and Q26 (an S8050 transistor - presumably pulled into saturation by R803 (2.2K ohms)) in series with the batteries when an AC Adaptor is plugged in.
4. There are 3 DE1103's here - all of them have come with 6V, 300mA supplies - 2 of them unregulated, 1 being a more compact (dreaded) switch-mode one! Mind you, unlike all the other accessories, none of these supplies have Degen anywhere on them.
5. As this could be a way of charging the cells faster, later on today, I'll check the charging current when using a regulated power supply to generate between 6 and 8V.
Bob.

From: Tao Qu <tquchina@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Mon, 15 March, 2010 2:56:45 AM
Subject: RE: [de1103] Adapter

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Regards,
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From: de1103@yahoogroups. com [mailto:de1103@ yahoogroups. com] On Behalf Of phylisrn
Sent: 2010年3月14日 07:33
To: de1103@yahoogroups. com
Subject: [de1103] Adapter

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2504. Re: Help! My Degen works only in FM!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-14 23:34:23 UTC
From: n3ham1
Topic: 2485 Message: 2504

I was able to fix my Degen with the same problem. That was the fet I used. Of course you should purchase a few for the future.It's not that
hard if you have some soldering experience. You need a fine point low wattage soldering iron, magnifier, de-soldering braid, fine gauge solder and some way to ground yourself when handling the fet. A quick way is to wrap a few turns of wire around your wrist and ground that to a water pipe or other known ground. Use the pictures in the files, they helped me. Use the iron very briefly with the de-soldering braid, you might need a toothpick to pop the old fet off the board.Center the new fet on the pads carefully and use that toothpick to hold the fet steady while you just tack one tab with the iron. If you are confident all is aligned then tack the other tabs down, but this time with a little solder. Wait between applications of heat and finish off with some solder on the first tab. Mine worked after this. Good luck. Jerry --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nelson B" <greenbrier614@...>
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2505. Re: Help! My Degen works only in FM!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-14 23:36:00 UTC
From: n3ham1
Topic: 2485 Message: 2505

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2506. RE: [de1103] Adapter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-15 04:33:53 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2497 Message: 2506

Hi Bob and all,

The original correct unit should be +8V / 300mA supply with plug of center positive. But for 220V/AC input units, it has the label printed is +6V, in fact if you do the test, then you will find it still is +8V output.

Regards,
- Tao Qu

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Bob Yorston
Sent: 2010年3月15日 04:50
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] Adapter

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2507. Re: [de1103] Re: Adapter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-15 08:16:52 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2497 Message: 2507

Hi Phyllis - You are after any unregulated (not switch-mode) plug-pack which can give 8 volts at 300mA.. A lot of them come with adjustable voltages and interchangeable plugs. Get the expert in the shop to set it for about 8 volts unloaded, which should drop to about 6 volts with a load on it, with the centre pin +. Of course, you've got to find one which has a suitable range of plugs to include the correct size. If the worst comes to the worst, get someone to cut the lead off the Sony adaptor, as it obviously fits, and solder it to your new supply. If you have access to a multimeter and soldering iron, you can do this yourself!
Bob.

From: phylisrn <phylisrn@...>
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Thanks
Phyllis
--- In de1103@yahoogroups. com, Bob Yorston <bobyorston@ ...> wrote:
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> Hi Phyllis - A normal adaptor for a DE1103 should give at least 6V. The total currnet drain of the radio should be 100mA, and the chrging current for the batteries should be another 100mA, so 200mA in toyal should be fine. One other thing, it is better to use a normal old-fashioned (un-regulated) plug-pack - not a modern, compact, switch-mode plug-pack, as the interference caused by the latter is positively unreal! It would be cheaper to buy a suitable one locally than to get one from China.
> In regard to poor short-wave performance, is the switch on the top left-hand side (ATTENUATOR) in the correct position?
> \Bob.
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2508. Re: Help! My Degen works only in FM!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-15 08:37:50 UTC
From: mp_darkstar
Topic: 2485 Message: 2508

Thanx Jerry! Your hints will help me to face the task!

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "n3ham1" <a1aop@...> wrote:
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> I was able to fix my Degen with the same problem. That was the fet I used. Of course you should purchase a few for the future.It's not that
> hard if you have some soldering experience. You need a fine point low wattage soldering iron, magnifier, de-soldering braid, fine gauge solder and some way to ground yourself when handling the fet. A quick way is to wrap a few turns of wire around your wrist and ground that to a water pipe or other known ground. Use the pictures in the files, they helped me. Use the iron very briefly with the de-soldering braid, you might need a toothpick to pop the old fet off the board.Center the new fet on the pads carefully and use that toothpick to hold the fet steady while you just tack one tab with the iron. If you are confident all is aligned then tack the other tabs down, but this time with a little solder. Wait between applications of heat and finish off with some solder on the first tab. Mine worked after this. Good luck. Jerry --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nelson B" <greenbrier614@> wrote:
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> > Marco,
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> > Here's an inexpensive source in case TQ can't send them.
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> > http://www.westfloridacomponents.com/mm5/merchant.mvc?Screen=PROD&Product_Code=T066&Category_Code=GeneralPurposeTransistors&Store_Code=wfc
> >
> > Nelson
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> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "mp_darkstar" <mp_darkstar@> wrote:
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> > > Thanx! Now the only thing I need is a FET replacement...
> > > Does someone know where to find one?
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2509. Re: Help! My Degen works only in FM!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-15 08:45:38 UTC
From: mp_darkstar
Topic: 2485 Message: 2509

Thanx Tao Qu, your help is appreciated too.
First, please, send me total price: (n. 4 pieces + shipment to Italy).
Thanx again.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tao Qu" <tquchina@...> wrote:
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> Hello Marco,
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> I am not sure where you bought it, but I think I can help you on this,
> please send your shipping address to me (tquchina@...) and I will find
> some replacement parts for you. -:)
>
> Regards,
> - Tao Qu
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> From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
> mp_darkstar
> Sent: 2010Äê3ÔÂ13ÈÕ 19:08
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [de1103] Re: Help! My Degen works only in FM!
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> Thanx! Now the only thing I need is a FET replacement...
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups. <mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com> com, Paul M
> <pmooney22@> wrote:
> >
> > If you go to the groups' website there's details in the 'Files' section.
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> > (Link a bottom of all emails)
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> >
> > Disclaimers: I have entered into no agreements regarding mails erroneously
> sent to this address, and reserve the right to do as I wish with any such
> emails.
> > --- On Fri, 12/3/10, mp_darkstar <mp_darkstar@> wrote:
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> > > From: mp_darkstar <mp_darkstar@>
> > > Subject: [de1103] Re: Help! My Degen works only in FM!
> > > To: de1103@yahoogroups. <mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com> com

> > > Date: Friday, 12 March, 2010, 12:01
> > > Thanx Moises!
> > >
> > > Your help is very appreciated!
> > > Hoping all electronic components are sill in good
> > > condition, I'm trying the first solution: removing
> > > accumulators and leaving the radio unoperative. This is the
> > > 2nd time I'm doing this operation: batteries had to be
> > > charged, so I left unoperative the radio for 6-7 hours (I
> > > use only batteries or accu)... but when I turned it on
> > > again, nothing changed!
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> > > A guy suggested me this test to check if local oscillator
> > > works properly:
> > > - Tune 10Mhz (the oscillator generates a signal at 55.845
> > > or 65.845 Mhz.)
> > > - Use a scanner (or better a frequencymeter) to check
> > > signals on these freqs.
> > > I did this test with a scanner: level meter notes a signal
> > > at 65.845 Mhz.... It seems that oscillator works
> > > properly...
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> > > If front-end transistor (FET) is the problem, have you an
> > > idea where to find a replacement and relative
> > > documentation?
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> > > Thanx again,
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> > > Marco.
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2510. Re: Help! My Degen works only in FM!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-15 14:38:26 UTC
From: mp_darkstar
Topic: 2485 Message: 2510

Hi Nelson!
I tried the link, but they told me they don't sell to Italy! :-(
Do You know some more electronic components e-seller?
Marco.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nelson B" <greenbrier614@...> wrote:
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2511. Re: [de1103] Adapter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-14 21:00:55 UTC
From: Daniel Parkinson
Topic: 2497 Message: 2511

Hi,

The adapter should output 8v 200ma to work correctly.

Regards,
Dan.

--- On Sat, 13/3/10, phylisrn <phylisrn@...> wrote:

From: phylisrn <phylisrn@...>
Subject: [de1103] Adapter
To: de1103@...m
Date: Saturday, 13 March, 2010, 23:33

Sorry for so many questions, but I just think I got a bad unit. I hear a ton of static in the unit and it barely picks up any SW even at night.

This is not my first radio,my other radios did pick up signals.

My adapter says 200 ma and 5v, all of the radios on EBAY says it has a 8V 300 volt.

My radio works better on batteries. Maybe I also have a bad adapter too. Gosh maybe I have been scammed?

Phyllis

2512. Re: [de1103] New DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-14 21:02:58 UTC
From: Daniel Parkinson
Topic: 2495 Message: 2512

Mine came without a protective cover on the screen but other than that
I had no problems. Sounds like a returned unit!
BTW make sure your adapter is the correct one as well,
needs to output 200ma @ 8 volts

--- On Sat, 13/3/10, phylisrn <phylisrn@...> wrote:

From: phylisrn <phylisrn@verizon.net>
Subject: [de1103] New DE1103
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, 13 March, 2010, 23:14

I just received my DE1103 from China. Do they come with a clear wrap over the LCD? Also it looks like the speaker panel has a small dent. I wonder if I have a used unit?

I bought it from EBAy.

Thanks,

Phyllis

2513. Re: [de1103] Re: Adapter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-15 18:25:38 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2497 Message: 2513

Hi Phyllis

As an alternative, you could abandon using the plug-pack and charge the batteries using an external battery charger and if need be, running the radio on standard batteries while the main battery set is charging.

I live in an area where my mains voltage is 220 volts and the power pack which came with my radio was 110 volts so I had no alternative but to use an external charger.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: Bob Yorston
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2010 9:16 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Adapter

Hi Phyllis - You are after any unregulated (not switch-mode) plug-pack which can give 8 volts at 300mA.. A lot of them come with adjustable voltages and interchangeable plugs. Get the expert in the shop to set it for about 8 volts unloaded, which should drop to about 6 volts with a load on it, with the centre pin +. Of course, you've got to find one which has a suitable range of plugs to include the correct size. If the worst comes to the worst, get someone to cut the lead off the Sony adaptor, as it obviously fits, and solder it to your new supply. If you have access to a multimeter and soldering iron, you can do this yourself!
Bob.

2514. Re: Adapter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-15 19:25:44 UTC
From: brunomarado
Topic: 2497 Message: 2514

I live in Portugal and when I bought my DE1103 I clearly requested an European 220V plug AC adapter (to avoid mistakes).
It came with and adapter that works fine and that has written the following:
GPE AC-DC ADAPTER
MODEL: SY-08020-GSA
INPUT: 230V~50Hz
OUTPUT: 8V/200mA 1.6VA

Best regards
Bruno
Portugal

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> Sent: 2010Äê3ÔÂ15ÈÕ 04:50
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> ohms)) in series with the batteries when an AC Adaptor is plugged in.
> 4. There are 3 DE1103's here - all of them have come with 6V, 300mA supplies
> - 2 of them unregulated, 1 being a more compact (dreaded) switch-mode one!

> Mind you, unlike all the other accessories, none of these supplies have
> Degen anywhere on them.
> 5. As this could be a way of charging the cells faster, later on today, I'll
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> Sent: Mon, 15 March, 2010 2:56:45 AM
> Subject: RE: [de1103] Adapter
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> phylisrn
> Sent: 2010Äê3ÔÂ14ÈÕ 07:33
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2515. Re: Adapter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-15 20:00:57 UTC
From: mezon
Topic: 2497 Message: 2515
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

http://cgi.ebay.com/NEW-DEGEN-DE1103-FM-MW-SW-SSB-DIGITAL-WORLD-BAND-RADIO_W0QQitemZ120443794590QQcmdZViewItemQQptZShortwave_Radios?hash=item1c0b02749e

2516. RE: [de1103] Re: Adapter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-15 21:34:00 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2497 Message: 2516

Base on my selling history:

#1. for 220V input unit, it has the label printed is 6V/300mA output.
#2. for 110V input unit, it has the label printed is 8V/300mA output.

#3. in fact, for both #1 and #2, all has the real output is 8V/300mA, the #1 is the label print problem only.

Regards,
-Tao Qu

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of brunomarado
Sent: 2010年3月16日 03:26
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: Adapter

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2517. YJ-7 FET for DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-15 21:43:35 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2485 Message: 2517

Hi Marco,
It is free, so please send your address to me directly is ok.

Hi All,
If anyone need this YJ-7 FET, please let me know also, so I can arrange the shipment together, it is about 30 miles driving for me to go to my shipment agent, so I would like to arrange the shipment at same time.

My contact window is tquchina@....

Regards,
- Tao Qu

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of mp_darkstar
Sent: 2010年3月15日 16:46
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: Help! My Degen works only in FM!

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2518. RE: [de1103] Re: Adapter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-15 21:51:04 UTC
From: john
Topic: 2497 Message: 2518

Since 9v supplies are easy to come by (even though these things are unregulated and vary all over the map) one could just use a 9v unit with a series diode to drop the V to the more unusual 8V rating. Unloaded it's probably in the 12-14 v range.

John K5MO

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2519. RE: [de1103] Re: Adapter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-15 21:54:11 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2497 Message: 2519

Good suggestion!

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Regards,
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Sent: 2010年3月16日 05:51
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com; de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [de1103] Re: Adapter

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Date: 2010-03-15 22:01:07 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2497 Message: 2520

Hi Tao Qu - Now for something entirely different - with the DE31 and DE31MS - there seem to be complaints from some users in regard to the DC/DC Convertor used to step the 3V up to 13V. As it oscillates anywhere from 2.5 to 3MHz, and as that oscillation is readily "picked up" by the cabling, it is a source of annoyance to some users. Could you put to Degen the idea of using a higher value potentiometer, and a FET to switch on/off a tiny 12V battery (such as is used in alarm remote controls) which could be put in series with the 3V - giving a total of 15V - instead of the DC/DC Convertor?
Bob.

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Date: 2010-03-16 05:25:53 UTC
From: bobyorston
Topic: 2497 Message: 2521

Hi Tao Qu - Tou are correct in regard to AC Adaptors, of course. All of mine are labelled 220V to 6V, 300mA, but give 8V at 300mA. Inside 2 of them is a transformer, 4 diodes making a bridge rectifier, with the 4 0.01uF disc ceramic C's across them to keep the noise down, and a 7808 regulator, with 1000uF before it, 220uF after. The 3rd one, unfortunately, has got a switch-mode supply, which fits in the box perfectly, but also radiates interference very well!
However - going by the circuit of the DE1103, I can't recommend using a 9V plug-pack, even with a 1N4001 in series, because the unloaded voltage of such a supply can be 13V. Sure - there are voltage regulators feeding the logic, but the transistor regulators feeding the RF/IF/AF seem to be hard on/hard off. Even connecting a well- regulated, current-limited and metered supply onto a DE1103 I observed a sudden current increase at 8.9V, so I didn't go any further to "see where the smoke came out!"
As a result, do you think you could supply the original regulated (preferably not switch-mode)supply to anyone who needs one, at a reasonable price?
The alternative would be for them to take a 12VDC supply, and either a 7808 and 220uF filter C after it, or a 7805, 100 ohms from output to common, 68 ohms from common to negative,followed by the 220uF. This alternative is easy for anyone "in the know", but not so easy for a non-electronic person - probably your usual user!
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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-16 08:10:23 UTC
From: Nelson B
Topic: 2485 Message: 2522

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Date: 2010-03-16 09:12:41 UTC
From: mp_darkstar
Topic: 2485 Message: 2524

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I've just found a e-shop here in Italy:

http://it.farnell.com/nxp/bf861b-215/jfet-n-chan-25v-sot-23/dp/1758057

Is this the correct FET replacement?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moises Knochen <moises.knochen@...> wrote:
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> 2010/3/13 mp_darkstar <mp_darkstar@...>
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Topic: 2485 Message: 2525

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> http://it.farnell.com/nxp/bf861b-215/jfet-n-chan-25v-sot-23/dp/1758057
>
> ...is the correct one.
> Hope this way works! Otherwise I will ask precious help!
> Marco.

2528. Re: Help! My Degen works only in FM!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-18 20:24:00 UTC
From: Julian Hardstone
Topic: 2485 Message: 2528

Marco - Before you start pulling out SMT devices, this needs more diagnostic work, maybe including
voltage measurements

What 'front end transistor' do you want to replace? Q1 is used for the SW whip antenna and could
indeed be damaged by static, which would reduce the sensitivity so you could only hear very strong
SW signals, but the internal ferrite rod antenna would still operate on MW - can you confirm that
you cannot even hear strong local signals on MW?

The Local Oscillator test is very useful, and seems to show that the PLL and the microcontroller are
working correctly. If there is no sign of signals, I think you should be looking further to the
'rear end' - starting with the 2nd conversion oscillator, which seems to give problems on many of
these radios. Again, use the scanner to see if you can find a signal from the 1103 at 55.395MHz
(?1kHz). If the oscillator is not working, very slight adjustment of the ceramic core in the
transformer next to the little spring may cure the problem
http://ukradio.info/Degen/TC3.JPG
BTW, this is the core to adjust if your 1103 only receives on alternate frequencies on AM, like
10001, 10003, 10005 etc

Anyway, why would you prefer to use a BF861B to the original YJ-7 device, which Tao Qu has so
generously offered?

HTH - Julian

2529. 1103 Vs 1104

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-20 08:59:53 UTC
From: Johan
Topic: 2529 Message: 2529

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I have owned my 1103 for about a year now and are very pleased :-)
When I was surfing the net I found the 1104 and my question are if annyone have compared the two modells and if so, wich one is the best?
I need a small but good mediumwaveantenna, can annyone give me tips on where to buy it?
best wishes!
Johan, Sweden

2530. Re: 1103 Vs 1104

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-21 01:59:55 UTC
From: elimixpro83
Topic: 2529 Message: 2530

Hi! This is a good review about the 1104 and a litle comparison with the 1103 :-)

http://www.radiointel.com/review-degende1104.htm

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Johan" <lundstrom.1@...> wrote:
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> Johan, Sweden
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2531. Re: [de1103] Re: 1103 Vs 1104

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-21 13:09:03 UTC
From: lundstrom
Topic: 2529 Message: 2531

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>
Thanks a lot!!

Johan

2532. Re: 1103 Vs 1104

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-21 16:14:47 UTC
From: ppasteur
Topic: 2529 Message: 2532

If the 1104 does what you need it to do, you may want to Check out the Tecsun PL310 or PL380. They are the current darlings of the Ultralight DX crowd. Both have multiple bandwidths (5 I think). They are ture AM MW and FM dx machines in a small package. Pretty darn good on SW as well. You do give up coverage of SW above about 22 Mhz, and no SSB. The things that the Radios do though, they do very well.

What kind of MW antenna do you think that yu want? There are lots of passive loops out there (Select-A-Tenna, Terk, etc.), or you can build your own for not very much money. There is the CCrene twin coil, and Quantum antennas too for a bit more money. Jay Allen, the person that did the 1104 revies, has reviewed several loops on Eham. Do a search.

It is hard to give an answer on antennas unless we know what exaclty you want to do with it and how much time or money you want to spend on getting an antenna.

Phil

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2533. Re: 1103 Vs 1104

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-21 16:24:55 UTC
From: ppasteur
Topic: 2529 Message: 2533

I fogot to mention the PK loops series of antennas. This guy is in Australia and makes a whole line of loop antennas, both passive and active for different bands. He will even build to order for your spsecific needs. I use hie amplified AM loop and I really like it. Do a search on PK Loops for reviews or visit here:
http://www.amradioantennas.com/am_antennas.htm

I have no connection with these guys other than being a satisfied user of their products!

Phil

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2534. Re: 1103 Vs 1104

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-21 18:22:25 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2529 Message: 2534

http://radiointel.net/radio-receiver-reviews-info/degen-de1104/

I compared them in detail in this review. Remember..there is no BEST radio...each a\has strengths and weaknesses and which best suits you si often a matter of what you value most in a radio.

Any of the small passive loops will do wonders with either radio... Selec-A-tenna, Terk AM Advantage, Tecsun S200 etc...all similar in perfomrance. Iv'e wirtten comparison reviews of those on the site as well.

Jay Allen

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2535. Passport to World Band Radio.... End of an Era!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-21 21:47:46 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2535 Message: 2535

With sad news I have read the Passport to World Band Radio is ending this month and shutting down it's web site....
Here is the link:

http://www.passband.com/category/receivernews/

73 Rod KB8DNS

2536. SW radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-24 09:28:35 UTC
From: Maurizio Fusco
Topic: 2536 Message: 2536

I am thinking to buy a new sw radio (I have an old Sony ICF 5500) I am thinking about Akai APW20 that has many features and a price that I can afford. Do you have a feedback about that radio?
Regards

2537. Re: [de1103] SW radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-24 12:28:47 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 2536 Message: 2537

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What's wrong with a DE1103?

Leon
--
Leon Heller
G1HSM

2538. Re: SW radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-26 17:44:58 UTC
From: george_kassavetis
Topic: 2536 Message: 2538

The Akai APW20 is the same radio as the AnJan DTS-09, it does have a lot of neat features, but according to the two reviews that I found, the radio is not great performance-wise:

http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/8064

http://herculodge.typepad.com/herculodge/2009/03/selling-on-ebay-the-anjan-dts09-looks-like-a-degen-.html
(the comments contain the reviews)

George

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2539. Noise in recording stations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-27 10:18:34 UTC
From: Federico Tomasczik
Topic: 2539 Message: 2539

Hello!:

The noise produced by my computer is low, since I put a filter line into power supply.

Now, I can listen my KA-1103 close to PC with little noise.

It's ok, but...

I can't conect the PC (mic or aux inputs) with my radio (line out) to record some stations because de noise is very strong!

Also, I can listen a local AM station in low bands (75 m - 41 m).

The "best" results I obtuve was with a twisted pair, but also it's impossible record.

Anybody have this problem?

How I can filter it?

Thanks!

73's

Federico Ch. Tomasczik

2540. Re: [de1103] Noise in recording stations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-27 11:04:55 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2539 Message: 2540

Hi Federico - It's been a while! As you've discovered, computers and sensitive radios don't go together.
However, here are some more things you can try -
1. Use a 1:1 microphone transformer, or similar, so there is no actual connection between the computer and the radio.
2. Take any toroid, and put several turns of your wire through it - whether it is shielded cable, or twin-flex, so that there is a fair amount of inductance between the computer and the radio - must be the same inductance on each lead.
3. On the radio side of either the isolating transformer or toroid, put a capacitor between the leads, so that it is a low impedance to RF, but a high impedance to AF - something like 0.001uF to 0.01uF.
4. If all of these ideas fail, it's time to use some other recording device!
Regards,
Bob.

From: Federico Tomasczik <ftomasczik@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sat, 27 March, 2010 9:18:34 PM
Subject: [de1103] Noise in recording stations

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2541. Re: [de1103] Noise in recording stations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-27 20:48:23 UTC
From: Federico Tomasczik
Topic: 2539 Message: 2541

Bob:

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I used a audio transformer small (1:1) and the noise was decreased.
Also, the local station has dissapeared!

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I used toroid but the noise is the same with or without it. I think it
is small (about 12 mm of diameter and only 6 turns for each wire).

i can't get any other toroid now, but on Monday i will try with this :)

> 3. On the radio side of either the isolating transformer or toroid, put a capacitor between the leads, so that it is a low impedance to RF, but a high impedance to AF - something like 0.001uF to 0.01uF.
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i can still listen some noises, but in general, the transformer has
improved the signals into PC.

And the twisted pair is better that others cables like coax or
shielded for audio.

Thanks for you ideas!

Federico Ch. Tomasczik

2542. Re: Noise in recording stations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-27 21:21:20 UTC
From: dwarmstr
Topic: 2539 Message: 2542

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Federico Tomasczik <ftomasczik@...> wrote:
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> I used a audio transformer small (1:1) and the noise was decreased.
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I stuck mine in an Altoids tin:
http://dwarmstr.blogspot.com/2009/06/audio-isolation-transformer.html

I found the computer was not so much adding noise but providing a connection to a poor RF ground system.

2543. Re: Noise in recording stations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-03-30 10:50:41 UTC
From: silva_halide
Topic: 2539 Message: 2543

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "dwarmstr" <dwarmstr@...> wrote:
> I stuck mine in an Altoids tin:
http://dwarmstr.blogspot.com/2009/06/audio-isolation-transformer.html

I was just about to write that neither Altoids nor tins have anything to do with isolating grounds of differing potentials until I read that people actually make a point of sticking things into Altoids tins <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Altoids#The_Story_of_Altoids> other than mints !

How would one select the DC resistance of the transformer's primary and secondary coils ? The last link given used 600Ohm 1:1 Modem transformers. What is an optimal resistance ?

rgds
Peter

2544. looking for a used 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-01 13:50:12 UTC
From: aircheckclover
Topic: 2544 Message: 2544

Hi all;

Does anyone have a used working or semi-broken 1103 they want to part with? I have a project in mind.

Minimally, the FM & speaker must work.
Ideally, the entire radio will work.
Cosmetics not so important but kickstand must be in tact.

We should probably take the buy/sell part of this off-line.
I'll report back to the group when the project is done.

Thanks,
Mark

2545. Re: [de1103] looking for a used 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-02 07:26:17 UTC
From: lundstrom
Topic: 2544 Message: 2545

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airchecklover skrev 2010-04-01 15:50:
>
> Hi all;
>
> Does anyone have a used working or semi-broken 1103 they want to part
> with? I have a project in mind.
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>
> Thanks,
> Mark
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>
What is the projekt about? I dont have anny used 1103, just interested.
best wishes!
Johan
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2546. Re: looking for a used 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-02 15:14:18 UTC
From: aircheck lover
Topic: 2544 Message: 2546

Johan;

This is a fun project and I want to keep details under wraps until I can take pictures and do a full description.

What I can divulge is the 1103 is the perfect candidate for modification into a super-duper AM/FM/Short Wave/International Broadcast portable radio. It will have no equal, at any price.

I've done a proof-of-concept with my nice shiny 1103 but since the permanent modification will require case disfigurement, I'd rather find a used 1103.

Anyone have a 1103 they can part with?

Mark

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2547. Re: Noise in recording stations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-02 17:06:39 UTC
From: dwarmstr
Topic: 2539 Message: 2547

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "silva_halide" <forums@...> wrote:
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> mints !
>
> How would one select the DC resistance of the transformer's primary and
> secondary coils ? The last link given used 600Ohm 1:1 Modem
> transformers. What is an optimal resistance ?
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> rgds
> Peter

I thought this was fairly useful <http://www.tape.com/resource/impedance.html>:

...
A few decades ago in the vacuum tube era, it was important to match the output impedance of the source to the input impedance of the load. Usually the source and load impedances were both 600 ohms. If the source impedance equals the load impedance, this is called "matching" impedances. It results in maximum POWER transfer from the source to the load. In contrast, suppose the source is low Z and the load is high Z. If the load impedance is 10 times or more the source impedance, it is called a "bridging" impedance. Bridging results in maximum VOLTAGE transfer from the source to the load.

Nowadays, nearly all devices are connected bridging -- low-Z out to high-Z in -- because we want the most voltage transferred between components.
...

SHOULD I CONSIDER IMPEDANCE WHEN I CONNECT TWO LINE-LEVEL DEVICES?
This is seldom a problem. In most audio devices, the impedance of the line output is low -- about 100 to 1000 ohms. The impedance of the line input is high -- about 10K to 1 Meg ohms. So every connection is bridging, and you get maximum voltage transfer. Some audio devices, such as passive equalizers, require a terminating resistor at the input or output for best performance.

2548. My DE1103 is dead!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-05 11:27:56 UTC
From: mp_darkstar
Topic: 2548 Message: 2548

I must accept it... my de1103 is definitely died!
Before purchasing another one, I'm wondering myself which is today it's best competitor and if it's better to wait for next 1104 and 1106 models...

2549. Re: My DE1103 is dead!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-06 16:29:56 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2548 Message: 2549

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "mp_darkstar" <mp_darkstar@...> wrote:
>
> I must accept it... my de1103 is definitely died!
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>
It is painful to note that the radio is dead.

After all it consists of lots of parts and number of sections. perhaps it could be restored, I fondly hope, unless the controllers have died. Of course it calls for handling skills as most sections are SMDs.
and not impossible.

Most literature is available courtesy of our valued members.

2551. Re: [de1103] Re: My DE1103 is dead!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-06 16:56:01 UTC
From: Aluizio Antonio dos Santos
Topic: 2548 Message: 2551

my degen died yesterday, just noise on the laudspeaker but no signal tuning in all bands.
i try to reset bottom but noting working.
So a take out de batterys yesterday and today a put the battery, turn it on, and for may surprise it is alive agaim.

excuse for the poor english!

----- Original Message -----
From: Mvs
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, April 06, 2010 1:29 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: My DE1103 is dead!

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "mp_darkstar" <mp_darkstar@...> wrote:
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2552. Re: My DE1103 is dead!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-07 07:23:37 UTC
From: mp_darkstar
Topic: 2548 Message: 2552

Aluizio, you have been lucky, your Degen had only a Near Death Experience! Mine is definitely gone... :-(

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Aluizio Antonio dos Santos" <aluiziosantos@...> wrote:
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> i try to reset bottom but noting working.
> So a take out de batterys yesterday and today a put the battery, turn it on, and for may surprise it is alive agaim.
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2553. Re: My DE1103 is dead!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-07 07:35:33 UTC
From: mp_darkstar
Topic: 2548 Message: 2553

Mvs,
yes I know something could have been done, but it would have required too much time for the value of the radio... and today, more than some years ago, time is gold money for me!

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mvs" <mvs_sarma@...> wrote:
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2554. how to use the de31ms - some problems

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-15 17:45:33 UTC
From: bonvino.raffaello
Topic: 2554 Message: 2554

Hi all, this is the first time that I write on this board, so i would ask you how to use de de31ms togethet with the de1103. When I attach the antenna to the receiver trough the 3,5 mm jack I notice an upgrade in the reception in the short waves (tuning the knob on the unit and selecting SW on the antenna), but if I attach the ferrite rod to the antenna and put it on my radio and select MW on the antenna I don't hear any change in the reception in the medium waves (neither in statics). Did anyone experienced the same problem? How to solve it? Thanks in advance.

2555. Re: how to use the de31ms - some problems

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-15 19:35:43 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2554 Message: 2555

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "bonvino.raffaello" <bonvino.raffaello@...> wrote:
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>
if the DE31ms is supposed to work for Medium wave, , try making a 6turn wireloop around your radio and connect it to the two leads of the loop to the de31ms wires
as you connect, you would find that it would help improve medium wave by coupling from the 6 turn loop
.

2556. Re: how to use the de31ms - some problems

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-15 19:39:14 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2554 Message: 2556

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mvs" <mvs_sarma@...> wrote:
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wires

2557. Re: how to use the de31ms - some problems

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-15 22:09:00 UTC
From: bonvino.raffaello
Topic: 2554 Message: 2557

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mvs" <mvs_sarma@...> wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mvs" <mvs_sarma@> wrote:
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> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "bonvino.raffaello" <bonvino.raffaello@> wrote:
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> > >
> > if the DE31ms is supposed to work for Medium wave, , try making a 6turn wireloop around your radio and connect it to the two leads of the loop to the de31ms wires
> > as you connect, you would find that it would help improve medium wave by coupling from the 6 turn loop
> > .
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> the sentense should read as below
> if the DE31ms is supposed to work for Medium wave, , try making a 6turn wireloop around your radio and connect it (the two leads of the loop) to the de31ms
> wires
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Sorry, I don't understand. Have I to put the ferrite rod on the radio or not?

2558. Re: how to use the de31ms - some problems

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-16 06:35:38 UTC
From: eftyacme
Topic: 2554 Message: 2558

> Sorry, I don't understand. Have I to put the ferrite rod on the radio or not?
>

Yes, you have to connect the de31ms to the ferrite rod. Then install the rod on the top of DE1103. Try the best position for the max gain.It's around 5 cm from the left, up to the VOL button. Good luck, good DX.

2559. Re: [de1103] how to use the de31ms - some problems

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-16 07:53:16 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 2554 Message: 2559

Yes, with the DE1103 the only way to couple the external antenna on MW is by means of the small ferrite rod provided with the antenna. The external antenna jack does not work on MW.

I have some experience with the TG34, which is basically the same kind of antenna, and I found that the DE1103 has already a good reception on MW, and it won't be enhanced significantly by using the TG34 and its coupling ferrite rod.

With other less sensitive receivers however I found a noticeable enhancement by using the antenna.

Hope this will be useful

73,

Moises Knochen
Montevideo, uruguay

At 14:45 15/04/2010, you wrote:
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2560. Re: how to use the de31ms - some problems

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-16 08:55:52 UTC
From: bonvino.raffaello
Topic: 2554 Message: 2560

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moisés Knochen <moises.knochen@...> wrote:
>
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> external antenna on MW is by means of the small
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> Moises Knochen
> Montevideo, uruguay
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> >same problem? How to solve it? Thanks in advance.
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Thanks. As a matter of fact I have a very good reception on MW expecially during night time (I can also hear Radio China International on 1458kHz here in Italy with full strenght of signal).So, can I use the radio with the only internal antenna on MW? It's the same thing as using it with the external antenna? Have I to use the magnetic loop only in SW where the

radio is less sensitive or receives a lot of noise without external antennas?

2561. Re: how to use the de31ms - some problems

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-17 12:02:44 UTC
From: Julian Hardstone
Topic: 2554 Message: 2561

If you want to connect an external antenna to the antenna socket of the DE1103 for MW & LW, you must
use the well-known 'trick'

Select 1711 by direct entry:
[1] [7] [1] [1] [band+/AM]
and scan down: hold [BAND-] for 2 seconds.
As soon as the frequency is below 1710kHz you can stop the scan and
use the rotary control, or you can let the scan continue below 100kHz.
The antenna is now switched for the telescopic or external antenna.
I suggest you tune it down to zero and store this in preset 0, or store
99kHz in preset 99. Also store any frequencies for which you wish to
use the external antenna input. You can store any frequency with the
[SSB] mode 'on' for CW reception.
Once you enter a frequency or change band on the keys, the system will revert to the normal tuning range and with the ferrite rod for MW + LW.

http://ukradio.info/Degen/VLF.txt

2562. Re: how to use the de31ms - some problems

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-17 14:16:30 UTC
From: aircheckclover
Topic: 2554 Message: 2562

If you are happy with MW reception, you may not need more antenna. If you are unhappy with SW, a loop will help reception - more signals, less noise.

Mark

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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "bonvino.raffaello" <bonvino.raffaello@...> wrote:
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2563. Re: how to use the de31ms - some problems

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-17 17:17:11 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2554 Message: 2563

I thought I would reply to this thread by posting a picture of an old time radio receiving set up from the early 1920s. Especially the loop antenna that appears to be for the MW band. Not sure how selective radio receivers were in those days but most were of the TR type.

73 Rod KB8DNS

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "aircheckclover" <mdh@...> wrote:
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> Mark
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2564. Re: My DE1103 is dead!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-18 08:23:28 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2548 Message: 2564

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "mp_darkstar" <mp_darkstar@...> wrote:
>
> I must accept it... my de1103 is definitely died!
> Before purchasing another one, I'm wondering myself which is today it's best competitor and if it's better to wait for next 1104 and 1106 models...
>
did you see their latest DSP model DE1125 ?
please see the link below
http://hllye.com/radio/DEGEN-DE1125-FMMWSW-DSP-Radio2GMP3Recorder.html

2565. Re: how to use the de31ms - some problems

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-18 11:47:59 UTC
From: bonvino.raffaello
Topic: 2554 Message: 2565

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Julian Hardstone" <julian@...> wrote:
>
> If you want to connect an external antenna to the antenna socket of the DE1103 for MW & LW, you must
> use the well-known 'trick'
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> The antenna is now switched for the telescopic or external antenna.
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> 99kHz in preset 99. Also store any frequencies for which you wish to
> use the external antenna input. You can store any frequency with the
> [SSB] mode 'on' for CW reception.
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> tuning range and with the ferrite rod for MW + LW.
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Thanks to everyone for your answers. Can you give me another advice please? Can I receive weather fax using my de1103 in the south of Italy? Can you give me some working frequency together with the time schedule and the details about the transmission modes? Thanks

2566. Re: [de1103] Re: My DE1103 is dead!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-18 11:49:37 UTC
From: john
Topic: 2548 Message: 2566

If only it had a BFO!
:-)

John K5MO

At 04:23 AM 4/18/2010, you wrote:

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2567. Re: My DE1103 is dead!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-19 15:08:54 UTC
From: mp_darkstar
Topic: 2548 Message: 2567

Interesting... but it hasn't SSB mode! I need it!
I read many radio blogs & forums, but rumors and unofficial news about 1108 model don't go beyond 2006... Degen aborted this project?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, john <johnmb@...> wrote:
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> John K5MO
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2568. Re: My DE1103 is dead!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-19 18:30:02 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2548 Message: 2568

yes. ooner or later, they have to implement DSP based Radios with chips like Si4735 instead of conventional dual conversion.
otherwise they may face competition. I only wish that DEGEN and Kaito should incoerporate in-built DRM reception, while retaining SSB and CW of course. Let us see

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2569. Re: My DE1103 is dead!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-21 09:19:50 UTC
From: mp_darkstar
Topic: 2548 Message: 2569

Do you think they stopped 1108 project to wait a DRM license or the diffusion of a similar digital broadcasting standard?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mvs" <mvs_sarma@...> wrote:
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2570. Re: how to use the de31ms - some problems

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-04-23 12:35:16 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 2554 Message: 2570

> Thanks to everyone for your answers. Can you give me another advice please? Can I receive weather fax using my de1103 in the south of Italy? Can you give me some working frequency together with the time schedule and the details about the transmission modes? Thanks
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Well let say yes...all depends of your skills and the antenna.

http://www.weather.gov/om/marine/rfax.pdf

2572. I have a problem in my brand new de1103 (with video)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-05-02 04:38:28 UTC
From: gabrielddc
Topic: 2572 Message: 2572

I'm desperate.
I bought a Degen de1103 three days ago, but today he introduced a problem.
I can't hear anything in the frequency with final 1,3,5,7,9 when I'm scanning. Frequencies in the final pair (0,2,4,6,8) is normal.
For example, I can't hear anything in 11.925mhz but I can hear in 11.924mhz or 11.926mhz

See a video of what is occurring:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=voQRg3t6_Ow

If someone can help me I thank you very much!

2573. Re: [de1103] I have a problem in my brand new de1103 (with video)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-05-02 11:40:51 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2572 Message: 2573

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From: gabrielddc <gabrielddc@yahoo.com>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sun, 2 May, 2010 2:38:28 PM
Subject: [de1103] I have a problem in my brand new de1103 (with video)

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If someone can help me I thank you very much!

Hi - My first thought is - send it back to the supplier. If that's not possible/practical -
My second thought is - earthing the collectors of Q9 and Q10 (both S9014) will mean that
the AF output chip (CXA1622P) is never muted, so that whatever is going wrong with the
logic can no longer tell the output stage to mute.
Bob, VK2CAN.

2574. Re: I have a problem in my brand new de1103 (with video)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-05-02 20:26:32 UTC
From: radiofanuy
Topic: 2572 Message: 2574

Please don't panic. There are other stories like yours in this forum. Please search the messages using appropriate keywords such as "odd" and you will find some messages from people with the same problem. One of them "stefy506" had a happy end as it was discovered that a 10 pF capacitor was missing. May be your receiver has a similar fault that could be repaired

Regards,

Moises
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2575. Re: I have a problem in my brand new de1103 (with video)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-05-02 22:50:54 UTC
From: stefy506
Topic: 2572 Message: 2575

Hello " gabrielddc", no panic!!!!quiet!!!I saw you problem for "step silent"......
please , see articles in these messages = http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/msearch?que
ry=stefy506&submit=Search&charset=ISO-8859-1

I hope you find solution !!!!

"C616 (10 pf)what was not present! he was lacking from the factory!!!"

My problem and is moment = OK!!!!!!

(good reading articles to see if the same problem tks!)

Stefano.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "gabrielddc" <gabrielddc@...> wrote:
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2576. Re: I have a problem in my brand new de1103 (with video)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-05-03 03:32:27 UTC
From: gabrielddc
Topic: 2572 Message: 2576

Stefano,

Thank you so much for your help. I will read all articles.

Appreciated.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "stefy506" <stefy506@...> wrote:
>
> Hello " gabrielddc", no panic!!!!quiet!!!I saw you problem for "step silent"......
> please , see articles in these messages = http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/msearch?q
uery=stefy506&submit=Search&charset=ISO-8859-1
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2577. Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-05-03 03:53:22 UTC
From: gabrielddc
Topic: 1545 Message: 2577

Stefano, I have the same problem.
Could you help me?

my e-mail is gabrielddc@...

Thank you!

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "stefy506" <stefy506@...> wrote:
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> MADE RESOLVED PROBLEM REPAIR! Friend thanks for the precious
> information which you have sent me,thanks to everybody you and
> especially to David Smith !!!The defect was coming from the condenser
> C616 (10 pf)what was not present! he was lacking from the factory!!!
> Have pratically inserted a 10 pf to place of the missing condenser,
> but what must be as present as the wiring diagram shows!
> At this point think of what many others Degen 1103 turns out the same
> defect!And been a work very difficult, all in smd ... uhhhhh ... .
> Work for micro surgeon's hands.....would not maybe do again him ...
> ahhhh!!!
> I have aprofittato to make the "screening" recommended by Radoscanner
> RUSSIA, very important this, the radio was open so I have thought I
> would make all the work.
> If someone wanted to repair Degen alone I can send INFO on as
> intervene. It is a simple thing to replace the condenser, but it is
> difficult to locate it because it is hidden under one metal screening.
> If you need contact me ... . In my "child" I can help with info and
> drawings. Thanks anchors! Stefano
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> > No, the flaw exists with equally strong signals! Sorry! ..... the
> > defect sometimes arrives after 40 50 minutes .... sometimes after 10
> > 15 minutes after ..... when and 'so' and 'easy to think of different
> > problems together. Sorry again, but the Group and 'available to help
> > precisely among us! Thank you! and.....sorry for my persistent msg!!!
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> > Stefano
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> > > Thank you very much friends, but some of you have already 'made the
> > > repair? I would appreciate information secured a repair been made.
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> > > I read that the defect exists for many friends, I try reliable

> > > information because 'I am not a technical deep.
> > > ..... ahhhh, it seems to me that the flaw exists only in the
> > > absence of strong signals in antenna ..... seems that if there are
> > > strong signals to the receiver the problem does not exist .... mahhh
> > > ... could be my impression Tks!
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> > > > > > U8 - The third oscillator (for SSB).)
> > > > > > But 2nd are Q2, U6, D601.
> > > > > > Look at your receiver, you can see:
> > > > > > ...DUAL CONVERSION...
> > > > >
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2578. recent SW loggings

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-05-11 17:55:07 UTC
From: Earl Higgins
Topic: 2578 Message: 2578

LOGGINGS

All made by Earl Higgins, St. Louis, Missouri, USA using a
Degen DE-1103 with built-in whip. All times/dates are GMT.

15540 Radio Nederland 2010-04-13 2203-2227*: Bonaire, Netherlands Antilles
DUT fair, noted man talking shortly after top of hour,
station wasn't there before the hour, language initially
unknown/sounded Germanic, announcement (presumably sign-
off) at 2226, instrumental anthem, carrier cut

11590 Radio Cairo 2010-04-13 2310-2314: Abu Zaabal, Egypt
ENG strong carrier, fairly low modulation, woman announcer
"Radio Cairo presents...", short interlude of Middle
Eastern sounding music, then talk by man, in the clear

9479 WTWW 2010-04-14 2159-2201: Lebanon, Tennessee, USA
ENG fairly weak, just caught two mentions of "Worldwide
Broadcasting" during top of the hour ID by man after
religious program. Heavy local noise. Station actually
voluntarily moved to this nonstandard frequency so
it's 16th harmonic wouldn't interfere with the local
school bus dispatcher!

9265 WINB 2010-04-14 2258-2259: Red Lion, USA
ENG Very strong, but with some audio hum, heavy
modulation, just quick ID exactly at tune in, "World
International Broadcasters station WINB, Red Lion,
Pennsylvania The United States Of America", by man

9370 WTJC 2010-04-14 2259-2301: Newport, USA
ENG Fair in heavy noise, end of religious organ music
program and ID by man as "WTJC Newport North Carolina"

9890 Voice of Russia 2010-04-20 *2158-2206: Krasnodar, Russia
ENG fair/alone on new frequency to North America, open
carrier and test tones of approximately 1 kHz before the
hour, international news read by woman, most items were
about Russia and Putin, ID by man as "Voice of Russia
World Service" after news and short instrumental musical
interlude

9735 Deutsche Welle 2010-04-20 2135-2138: Sines, Portugal
ENG fair to good, in the clear with the end of a news
report by man and ID. Gone at 2159 recheck.

9870 BSKSA 2010-04-21 2136- 2202: Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
ARA fair, alone but noisy, woman reading poem (as
identified by my friend Fayez al-Herz), came back just after top
of hour to find man and woman reading, probably news. Much
louder the day before (when this was suspected.)

9420 Voice of Greece 2010-04-22 2156-2201: Avlis, Greece
GRE fair/good, Greek music and talk by man, then "Ain't No
Sunshine" Bill Withers tune up to top of hour, ann by
woman, heard "... Helladas", presumed news read by man

17775 KVOH 2010-04-26 2151-2203: Rancho Simi, USA
SPA strong but with deep fades, Spanish religion
(apparently not brokered), mentions of a church or an
address in Los Angeles, many mentions of Restauracion,
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NAN/CHI fairly strong, listed in Chaozhou but definitely
speaking Mandarin, possibly for sign off announcements by
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ENG good, news in English read my man, mention "VOA News",
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9695 Radio Japan 2010-04-30 1224-1231: Yamata, Japan
ENG/THA good, "In Focus" culture program hosted by man and
woman, traditional music, then quick mention that it is
the end of "Radio Japan in Focus" directly into presumed
Thai at 1230

11550 WEWN 2010-04-30 1501-1503: Vandiver, USA
SPA strong, phone number and other announcements in
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9410 BBC 2010-05-04 1204-1206: Cypress Creek, USA
ENG full-strength, news about the attempted car bomb in
New York City, ID by man

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on at exactly 0100:00, muddy/bassy audio, announcement by
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decent signal and alone, would be readable, if not for
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SPA Presumed transmitter manufacturer equipment test
suffering severe ACI from both 5950 and 5960, fair signal
with deep fades, playing one Shakira song after another,
all early (Latin American) hits from the 90s: "Ciega,
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carrier here, on May 2 and similar Latin vocals here
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CHI/ENG surprisingly strong and clear, Mandarin discussion
by man, short orchestral music interspersed with
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JPN fair, would be excellent if not for strong Cuba 9600
ACI, nonstop woman talking in definite Japanese, some
pauses and pips at the hourtop, into presumed news also
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73 from St. Louis

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-05-12 00:40:06 UTC
From: john
Topic: 2578 Message: 2579

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the time to enter them.
Best
John k5MO

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2580. Antenna ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-05-20 00:46:04 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 2580 Message: 2580

http://www.pd1dx.com/mast2/mast2.htm

2581. Degen DE-1103 Brand New for Sale

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-06-08 19:29:16 UTC
From: rugelj2002
Topic: 2581 Message: 2581

I have an extra DE-1103 for sale, brand new, never used in factory box with all factory accessories. $70.00 shipped to USA 48 States. USPS Postal MO or personal check. Photograph available. Thanks. Al W6JHO

2582. Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-06-08 23:28:32 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 1545 Message: 2582

Excellent thread!

Gives an idea that these radios are passed rather quickly through the assembly line and a simple "goof" can be missed! Eton may have the same problems...

73 Rod KB8DNS

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2583. DE1103 with me on our trip....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-06-20 11:28:25 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2583 Message: 2583

Out and about for a week, down to Nashville, Tennessee then on to Columbia, South Carolina and home again.... Fun trip and more so with several short wave radios!
My DE1103 is working great and reception is clean and practically noise and interference free. Our motel has many of those energy saving lights and I can hear them on all the receivers.
I brought along my Degen DE1103, Grundig G3, Eton E5 and the Kaito KA12AIR. I plan to do a few videos and post them on my You Tube account. So far all radios have been doing very good but my G3 is a bit off. I think the heat may affect the SYNC, in the mid nineties here! The little KA12AIR does a fine job with it's reception of the AM aircraft band.... No user's group for this radio yet!

More to follow! 73 es gud DX! Rod KB8DNS

2584. Re: [de1103] DE1103 with me on our trip....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-06-20 14:14:53 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2583 Message: 2584

Thanks for sharing, will be waiting to watch the videos. Also, do post more of Degen 1103, just as and whenever possible.

2585. DE1103 with me on our trip....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-06-21 00:54:52 UTC
From: JOHN GREUSEL
Topic: 2583 Message: 2585

I don't know why Rod but your description of your shortwave radio sojourn made me think you are a perfect candidate for working FM satellites with a dual band HT and a handheld yagi. I can't explain why I got that impression- sorry for the off topic digression. I love my degen too. 40 meter SSB is amazing. I hear this guy from Milan, Italy nearly every night off the whip.

John Greusel
KC9OJV

2586. Re: DE1103 with me on our trip....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-06-25 14:22:36 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2583 Message: 2586

Hi John!
I did have my Yaesu FT50R with me but the trip was half business and not much concentration for amateur radio. I do agree that it would be great to work satellite portable! My Degen worked very well for me! I had bought it from an Ebay auction and had to repair the FET front end, I used a MPF-102 and had to thin it out to fit but the repair worked fine! I have at least one You Tube video with it.

73 es gud DX! Rod KB8DNS

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2587. My Degen

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-06-26 13:15:23 UTC
From: Oliver
Topic: 2587 Message: 2587

Hello folks. I've had my degen for nearly a year now, and of course I love it to pieces. I've had Australia, Japan, Several stations from South and Central America on the HF bands, just with the telescopic antenna. I've had mine modified for BandII (FM Broadcast), with the old filters being taken out and replaced with 2x 80KHz, obviously improving selectivity. I had a play with my friend Julian's Degen which prompted me to purchase my own, and now my friend Richard has acquired one.

Now, already, Richard and I have noticed a few differences between his Degen and mine. Mine seems just a little bit more sensitive on the HF bands, not by much, but noticed on weak stations in the noise. on the other hand, mine has always warbled if not held still, and his doesn't at all!

I always thought that was a downside of using a £50 receiver from HongKong, but clearly, after doing some research on the internet, no-one else seems to have that problem. I thought it was standard, like the 'blip-blip' whilst tuning of which I can live with.

"Can I eliminate this warble?"
its fine when theres no vibration.

and also

"Can my friend's Degen be 'tuned-up' to perform like my degen?"
He's optimistic that his Degen was probably the last one of a batch made during a particular day, quickly put together and not properly optimised etc.

Great group by the way, it's nice that we can share our experiences with our radios!

Thanks
Oliver.

2588. Posted video of Degen DE1103 on You Tube....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-06-27 17:01:08 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2588 Message: 2588

I uploaded a video of the DE1103 on You Tube. This was from our trip to the Sunny South. Here is the link....

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zvZXdv6_WXo

Sorry to say this is the only capture that turned out well of the 1103. I am planning to post more of this great little radio!

73 es gud DX! Rod KB8DNS

2589. Re: [de1103] Posted video of Degen DE1103 on You Tube....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-06-28 23:00:06 UTC
From: Skywarn
Topic: 2588 Message: 2589

Hey has anyone worked on a simple external whip antenna for
DEGen 1103 for VLF?

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: kb8dns
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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2590. Re: [de1103] Posted video of Degen DE1103 on You Tube....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-06-29 08:55:05 UTC
From: hardrain
Topic: 2588 Message: 2590

Il 29/06/2010 01:00, Skywarn ha scritto:
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> Hey has anyone worked on a simple external whip antenna for
> DEGen 1103 for VLF?
> Paul
>

With a 'simple' whip on lower bands you would receive mostly noise, particularly indoors.

Why don't you try a simple loop like:

http://ik4hdq.net/doc/testi/smlloop.pdf

I've made one and it gives really good results indoors.

Check if your 1103 works with external antenna on the LF.

Raf I1HNY

2591. Re: Posted video of Degen DE1103 on You Tube....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-06-29 17:06:28 UTC
From: kb8dns
Topic: 2588 Message: 2591

I am able to receive several AIR beacons on my 1103. I believe the radio bypasses the whip at these lower fos and the ferrite rod comes into play. I think a loop antenna would do much more for reception!
Here is a link to an excellent homebrew loop!

http://www.kr1st.com/swlloop.htm

73 Rod KB8DNS

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-06-29 21:04:56 UTC
From: Skywarn
Topic: 2588 Message: 2592

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-07-06 16:32:47 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 2588 Message: 2593

Please take into account that the "antenna in" jack won't work for MW or LW. Yes, using the famous keystrokes you can cheat the radio into tuning below 100 kHz AND enabling the "antenna in", but it seems the internal ferrite loopstick is disengaged and sensitivity for LW and MW drops dramatically. I think it would need a very good external antenna to overcome the sensitivity loss caused by losing the ferrite. But probably a good external loop would be useful.

Regards,

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> > Hey has anyone worked on a simple external whip antenna for
> > DEGen 1103 for VLF?
> >
> > Paul
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > SNIP <
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Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

2594. Re: Posted video of Degen DE1103 on You Tube....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-07-06 18:25:08 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2588 Message: 2594

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moisés Knochen <moises.knochen@...> wrote:
>
> Please take into account that the "antenna in"
> jack won't work for MW or LW. Yes, using the
> famous keystrokes you can cheat the radio into
> tuning below 100 kHz AND enabling the "antenna
> in", but it seems the internal ferrite loopstick
> is disengaged and sensitivity for LW and MW drops
> dramatically. I think it would need a very good
> external antenna to overcome the sensitivity loss
> caused by losing the ferrite. But probably a good
> external loop would be useful.
>
> Regards,
>
> Moises
>
> At 14:06 29/06/2010, you wrote:
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> >
> >I am able to receive several AIR beacons on my
> >1103. I believe the radio bypasses the whip at
> >these lower fos and the ferrite rod comes into
> >play. I think a loop antenna would do much more for reception!
> >Here is a link to an excellent homebrew loop!
> >
> ><http://www.kr1st.com/swlloop.htm>http://www.kr1st.com/swlloop.htm
> >
> >73 Rod KB8DNS
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active mini Antenna by PA0RDT works Nice. Good design by bakker.
here is the link
www.radiopassioni.it/pdf/pa0rdt-Mini-Whip.PDF

2595. My New DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-07-08 19:02:40 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 2595 Message: 2595

Hello all,
I just received my new DE1103, I will be testing it tomorrow evening when I get home from business trip.
Can somebody confirm what I understand: The bandselector AM+ is used to select a band but when you hold it for one second it starts scanning in that band?
Thanks for helping me out on this one!
Bruno

Best regards, Meilleures salutations, Mit freundlichen Grussen,
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2596. Re: My New DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-07-09 01:18:35 UTC
From: george_kassavetis
Topic: 2595 Message: 2596

Hi Bruno,
Yes, holding down band(+) will scan up in frequency on the band the radio is on; holding down band(-) will scan down in frequency on the band the radio is on.
George

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, bruno geuth <geuth_consulting@...> wrote:
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2597. (no subject)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-07-12 07:20:50 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 2597 Message: 2597

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2598. (no subject)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-07-12 12:17:34 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 2597 Message: 2598

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, bruno geuth <geuth_consulting@...> wrote:
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Hallo Bruno,

Use or buy 4 new fresh akaline battery's type AA 1,5 volt akaline and
see what the result is.

The 4 rechargable battery's in the package needs to charged before use and are low in quality.
The power adaptor is not controlled and charging the battery's
in the DE1103 is risky.

I bought a charger by Conrad a Ansmann Energy 8 (type's of battery's).
Handy for all my equipment e.g. camera, pre-amp, Sony receiver, calculators etc..

Enjoy the radio, it is a nice little thing but needs carefully treatment.

Hope it helps a little..

Regards:
jan

2599. Re: [de1103] (unknown)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-07-12 12:54:48 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 2597 Message: 2599

Thanks Jan, I will try with fresh batteries tonight: if it is not helping I am sending the radio back to Shanghai, they promissed me a new one in exchange...

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Bruno

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--- On Mon, 7/12/10, legonedijk <legonedijk@...> wrote:

From: legonedijk <legonedijk@...>
Subject: [de1103] (unknown)
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, July 12, 2010, 2:17 PM

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, bruno geuth <geuth_consulting@...> wrote:
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2600. Re: (unknown)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-07-12 13:52:41 UTC
From: Nelson B
Topic: 2597 Message: 2600

Could be a cold solder joint on the board. Might be worth it to check, unless the seller is covering return the shipping cost.

Nelson

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, bruno geuth <geuth_consulting@...> wrote:
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2601. Re: [de1103] Re: (unknown)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-07-12 14:07:42 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 2597 Message: 2601

Thanks for your advice Nelson, I really appreciate it. The seller is sending me another DE1103 in advance, before I return mine to him...so I accepted this deal!

Kind regards,
Bruno

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--- On Mon, 7/12/10, Nelson B <greenbrier614@...> wrote:

From: Nelson B <greenbrier614@...>
Subject: [de1103] Re: (unknown)
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, July 12, 2010, 3:52 PM

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2602. Re: (unknown)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-07-12 16:56:30 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 2597 Message: 2602

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, bruno geuth <geuth_consulting@...> wrote:
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OK Bruno,

Please, let us know how all the things works out.

BTW at the backside of my DE1103 is a whit little sticker
that says "QC PASS"'.
That mentioned that a Quality Check is done.

You have to check that.

Kindly Regards:
jan

2603. Re: [de1103] Re: (unknown)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-07-12 19:06:20 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 2597 Message: 2603

Jan,
On my DE1103 there is NO qa sticker, maybe they did NOT check it...well anyway, I am gonna get a new one from my eBay seller!!!

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--- On Mon, 7/12/10, legonedijk <legonedijk@...> wrote:

From: legonedijk <legonedijk@...>
Subject: [de1103] Re: (unknown)
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, July 12, 2010, 6:56 PM

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2604. Re: (unknown)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-07-12 20:34:11 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 2597 Message: 2604

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Hello Bruno,

My Sony ICF-SW7600G is a nice radio ... LSB / USB switch and a "Sync" feature.
I use the Sony for DX-ing when on holiday.
The DE1103 is for receiving weatherfax, mmsstv etc.

Connecting the Sony audio to the laptop is in my case not pleasant.
Groundloop maybe.
The DE1103 gives no problems.
A 1:1 audio transformer will do the trick for both I think.

Kindly Regards:
jan

2605. Re: (unknown)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-07-13 16:23:37 UTC
From: norsk4488
Topic: 2597 Message: 2605

Most likely that the reason WHY that specific 1103 didn't have the
QC PASS sticker was because of the dead LED lamp.

You should have asked the seller if they will willing to let you keep it for 1/2 price.
Since shipping is pretty expensive.

Bill

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2606. Re: (unknown)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-07-14 03:11:45 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2597 Message: 2606

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one of my friends bought a resold DE1103
it was the same case of LCD back-lit design failure
if asked, many would come back with a similar situation. perhaps owners are not much bothered as, otherwise, they are performance oriented.
On an analysis, if the schematics are to speak, the Back-lit circuitry appears defective and transistor Q29 is very likely to fail

due to current through LD2 and LD4. they are directly connected and limited only by the 10 ohm emitter resistor, as against LD1 and LD3 that have a 200 ohm series resistor. I definitely see a flaw here.

2607. Re: My Degen

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-07-24 22:26:17 UTC
From: Julian Hardstone
Topic: 2587 Message: 2607

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(?1kHz) and see if this shows the same warble. You could also listen for the 1st LO at 55.845MHz
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2608. Re: [de1103] Re: My Degen

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-07-25 16:30:07 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 2587 Message: 2608

Hello Degen group,
I have now received a replacement radio DE1103 from Shanghai and now all lights work!!!

One question: Is it normal that the lights stay on all time during battery recharging process, even when the radio is turned off? Or should I manually shut down the lights (using the switch) during recharging the batteries???

Thanks for letting me know,
Bruno

Best regards, Meilleures salutations, Mit freundlichen Grussen,
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--- On Sun, 7/25/10, Julian Hardstone <julian@...> wrote:

From: Julian Hardstone <julian@...>
Subject: [de1103] Re: My Degen
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, July 25, 2010, 12:26 AM

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2609. Re: My Degen

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-07-25 05:40:12 UTC
From: Oliver
Topic: 2587 Message: 2609

Hi Julian, thanks for the reply...

I have done the oscillater tests with my degen and I have found that listening on 55.395MHz on my Icom 706 in CW mode, there is no warble effect at all. Afterwards, I put my degen onto 4MHz and tuned my Icom to 59.845MHz and the warble effect WAS present there!

I've yet to visit Richard's to conduct the other tests, however another thing I've remembered is that my degen works fine below 100KHz. I can hear the time signals clearly with the other data modes etc. On Richards, there is alot of noise below 100KHz and nothing is really listenable down there.

From what I remember with his degen, on MW using the internal ferrite antenna, it does work but it did seem noticeably deaf compared to mine. Over-riding the ferrite and using the telescopic did improve sensitivity on MW, like it does with mine, but again, still deaf in comparison whilst I was listening to the same station using the telescopic on mine. I believe it was a simular experience using the supplied external wire although I'll have to double check as its been a while since I was last at his.

Cheers
Oliver

2610. Lights stay on during battery charge

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-08-05 13:57:16 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 2610 Message: 2610

Hello,

Is it normal that the LCD-lights (orange) stay on during charging of the batteries, even when the radio is turned off?

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2611. Re: [de1103] Lights stay on during battery charge

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-08-05 15:22:19 UTC
From: martin
Topic: 2610 Message: 2611

Hi Bruno. Yes, its normal.

TTYL

On 08/05/2010 08:57 AM, bruno geuth wrote:
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KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell
A Satisfied Sidux Linux user! To get Sidux go to: www.sidux.com/index.html
If electricity comes from electrons does that mean morality comes from morons?

2612. Re: [de1103] Lights stay on during battery charge

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-08-09 16:30:07 UTC
From: andrew
Topic: 2610 Message: 2612

You can still use the switch on the side to turn them off though, so they don't have to stay on for hours.

Andrew

On Thu, Aug 5, 2010 at 16:22, martin <kb0hae@...> wrote:

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2613. Your vote is important... to "save" the kaito-de1103 group...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-08-17 11:04:01 UTC
From: gvastianos
Topic: 2613 Message: 2613

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tnx and 73s

SV8GXC

2614. Re: [de1103] Your vote is important... to "save" the kaito-de1103 group...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-08-17 23:04:26 UTC
From: john
Topic: 2613 Message: 2614

Thank you for all this hard work

John K5MO

At 07:04 AM 8/17/2010, you wrote:
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2615. Re: [de1103] Your vote is important... to "save" the kaito-de1103 group...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-08-18 01:11:20 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 2613 Message: 2615

Done, many thanks! Hope we could get rid of the spammers soon...

Horacio A. Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

2616. Re: Your vote is important... to "save" the kaito-de1103 group...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-08-18 08:05:54 UTC
From: Don Boyd
Topic: 2613 Message: 2616

Done as well...thanks for your efforts. it was such a sad thing to happen to a good group.

2617. Re: [de1103] Your vote is important... to "save" the kaito-de1103 group...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-08-18 08:19:40 UTC
From: Skywarn
Topic: 2613 Message: 2617

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2618. Re: [de1103] Your vote is important... to "save" the kaito-de1103 group...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-08-18 08:21:52 UTC
From: Skywarn
Topic: 2613 Message: 2618

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before you keep them using outlook express or outlook.

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2619. Re: Your vote is important... to "save" the kaito-de1103 group...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-08-18 12:40:56 UTC
From: aircheckclover
Topic: 2613 Message: 2619

Yes, I will vote. Curious though ... how hard would it be to simply download the best info from the old group and re-post that info to this group? Maybe easier than deleting all the porn from old group, then having to search this and that group for info? Could we have everything in one place?

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> Iam SV8GXC (gvastianos), ham operator and 'proud' owner of a modified 1103 receiver.
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> tnx and 73s
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> SV8GXC
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2620. Re: Your vote is important... to "save" the kaito-de1103 group...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-08-18 12:41:21 UTC
From: aircheckclover
Topic: 2613 Message: 2620

PS - And Thank You!

Mark

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2621. Re: [de1103] Re: Your vote is important... to "save" the kaito-de1103 group...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-08-18 13:04:14 UTC
From: Federico Tomasczik
Topic: 2613 Message: 2621

Mark:

Your idea is very good.

Perhaps, cut & paste all info from old group to a document and then
upload it to de1103 group.

Sorry for my english!

Federico Ch. Tomasczik

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> Mark

2622. Re: Your vote is important... to "save" the kaito-de1103 group...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-08-18 21:44:55 UTC
From: aircheckclover
Topic: 2613 Message: 2622

Federico;
Nothing wrong with your English.
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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Federico Tomasczik <ftomasczik@...> wrote:
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2623. Re: [de1103] Re: Your vote is important... to "save" the kaito-de1103 group...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-08-19 00:15:43 UTC
From: Sudipta Ghose
Topic: 2613 Message: 2623

Already voted for you.
73s
SG,
Kolkata,
India

On Thu, Aug 19, 2010 at 3:14 AM, aircheckclover <mdh@...> wrote:

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> Federico;
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> place?
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One of those ... ...

2624. Re: Your vote is important... to "save" the kaito-de1103 group...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-08-19 06:29:21 UTC
From: eftyacme
Topic: 2613 Message: 2624

Yes, I will vote for you.
73's QRO

YT
Paris
France

2625. Re: Your vote is important... to "save" the kaito-de1103 group...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-08-19 10:15:10 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2613 Message: 2625

That's what I was thinking.

Jay

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "aircheckclover" <mdh@...> wrote:
>
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2626. Re: Your vote is important... to "save" the kaito-de1103 group...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-08-19 11:04:55 UTC
From: Julian Hardstone
Topic: 2613 Message: 2626

Excellent proposal, George, and I like the idea that you will not run the old group in parallel with
this group, as we do not need any more groups for posting about the 1103! I have re-joined kaito-de1103 and voted.
Now would someone like to do the same with DegenKaitoTecsunGroup?

2627. Re: Your vote is important... to "save" the kaito-de1103 group...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-08-20 10:11:50 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 2613 Message: 2627

I rejoined and voted, soon I will go back and remove myself. I like the idea of making one group!
Transferring everything will be no small chore as I had gone through something like it when I rescued all my files from Geocities when they closed done here in the USA. George, if you need help let me know as I can help a bit. Let me know if you would like help with the links, files or photos.

73 Rod KB8DNS

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Julian Hardstone" <julian@...> wrote:
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2628. GOOD NEWS... the kaito-de1103 groups is clean...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-04 08:06:32 UTC
From: gvastianos
Topic: 2628 Message: 2628

On 1st of Sep after the poll for voting me as administrator of kaito-de1103 was closed with 98% yes. Yahoo support team reviewed the results and gave me full administration rights.

Since that day it took me 2 days to clean completely ALL the spam and adult content (messages, pics, files and members who posted spam)

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Now the content is like "no spam were never existed"

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The group passed all the non-adult tests and now is moderated,pure, spam-free and belongs to "shortwave" category as before

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/kaito-de1103/
just gained back its virginity.....

CURRENT STATUS:
MODERATED, NEW MEMBER JOINS AUTOMATICALLY, NO NEW POSTINGS / UPLOADS ARE ALLOWED FROM MEMBERS...

IT EXISTS ONLY FOR HISTORICAL PURPOSES..YOU CAN JOIN TO IT AND USE IT TO SEARCH IN THE ARCHIVE FOR USEFULL INFO ABOUT YOU FAVORITE 1103 RADIOS...

best 73

SV8GXC
(gvastianos)

2629. Re: GOOD NEWS... the kaito-de1103 groups is clean...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-04 10:54:20 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2628 Message: 2629

Great job...thanks so much. One comment. My Outlook filter placed your announcement in the junk category becasue the word sp-m occured in the message, so some peole might not see it. I almost missed it.

Jay Allen

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2630. Re: [de1103] Re: GOOD NEWS... the kaito-de1103 groups is clean...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-04 11:47:07 UTC
From: john
Topic: 2628 Message: 2630

Thanks for your hard work! Glad to have the list back.

At 06:54 AM 9/4/2010, you wrote:
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2631. Re: [de1103] GOOD NEWS... the kaito-de1103 groups is clean...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-04 13:27:41 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 2628 Message: 2631

On 04/09/2010 09:06, gvastianos wrote:
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> IT EXISTS ONLY FOR HISTORICAL PURPOSES..YOU CAN JOIN TO IT AND USE IT TO SEARCH IN THE ARCHIVE FOR USEFULL INFO ABOUT YOU FAVORITE 1103 RADIOS...

You deserve a vote of thanks for sorting it out. If nothing else, I
won't have to keep adding a message pointing people to this group,
although the spam seemed to have become non-existent over the last few
months.

You could add something about this group to the description so that
people can find us, and explain why new posts can't be made.

73, Leon
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Leon Heller
G1HSM

2632. Re: GOOD NEWS... the kaito-de1103 groups is clean...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-04 13:41:57 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 2628 Message: 2632

I just remembered that I originally tried to take the group over before forming this group, but Yahoo told me that without the original owner's permission it wasn't possible. They didn't mention the procedure you used.

2633. (no subject)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-04 14:50:07 UTC
From: Jose Guerra
Topic: 2633 Message: 2633

Job well done. The Kaito 1103 is my football season companion and provides me with motivation while I work out.

Joe

2634. Re: GOOD NEWS... the kaito-de1103 groups is clean...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-04 15:04:51 UTC
From: gvastianos
Topic: 2628 Message: 2634

I just wrote them explaining the situation and also mention that I have done work to locate and log all the adult sp-m content in the old group ... so it was only the moderator rights in order to save the group. Then they replied that they believe that I have good effords BUT I need first the trust of the members via a poll in order to vote me as moderator.

I have already changed the description of the old group and included a link for this one...

Also thanks for your trust to make me co-owner of this group. You will have my help when you need it..

best 73

george SV8GXC

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon" <leon355@...> wrote:
>
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2635. batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 11:50:17 UTC
From: syfr
Topic: 2635 Message: 2635

What kind of batteries are people using and what say,is the run time of a 2300mAh supplied radio?
Also, if you're using NiMH cells, do you find the charging circuit in the radio useful, or do you externally charge?

Many thanks
John

2636. Re: batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 12:02:18 UTC
From: danny.parkinson
Topic: 2635 Message: 2636

Hi,

I've found that using 2100Mah 'Instant' NiMh batteries are the best option as they don't self discharge unlike normal rechargeable batteries
and thus last longer if the set is left for some time.
Many compaines including Vapextech & Energizer make these special
types of batteries.

I use the built-in charging function if I have spare time on my hands - usually overnight when the unit is not in use. I usually externally charge the batteries with a 'smart' charger as its the best option to prolong the battery life & quality.

Hope that helps,
Dan.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "syfr" <johnmb@...> wrote:
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> What kind of batteries are people using and what say,is the run time of a 2300mAh supplied radio?
> Also, if you're using NiMH cells, do you find the charging circuit in the radio useful, or do you externally charge?
>
> Many thanks
> John
>

2637. batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 12:11:31 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 2635 Message: 2637

Hello,

I am using the rechargable Degen batteries supplied with my DE1103, I internally charge them for 24 hours, to my greatest satisfaction!

Best regards, Meilleures salutations, Mit freundlichen Grussen,
Bruno Geuth

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2638. RE: [de1103] batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 12:15:17 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2635 Message: 2638

I am using the original Ni-MH rechargeable batteries coming in the package, but I am using external charger because I lost my power cord...

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of syfr
Sent: Sunday, September 05, 2010 7:50 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] batteries

What kind of batteries are people using and what say,is the run time of a 2300mAh supplied radio?
Also, if you're using NiMH cells, do you find the charging circuit in the radio useful, or do you externally charge?

Many thanks
John

2639. Re: [de1103] batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 13:12:04 UTC
From: Skywarn
Topic: 2635 Message: 2639

You charge the batteries for 24hrs? Are you overcharging them?

You should only have to charge them for about 14-16 hrs. Depending
on the milli amp rating.

Paul
On 9/5/2010 8:11:31 AM, bruno geuth (geuth_consulting@...m) wrote:
> Hello,
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> I am using the rechargable Degen batteries supplied with my DE1103, I
> internally charge them for 24 hours, to my greatest satisfaction!
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2640. Re: [de1103] Re: batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 13:13:21 UTC
From: Skywarn
Topic: 2635 Message: 2640

I use the duracell 2650 mah rating excellent nimih batteries. I use a
seperate charger with a light that tells me when they are charged.

I always have an extra set to swap while i recharge the ones I take out.

Paul.

On 9/5/2010 8:02:18 AM, danny.parkinson (danny.parkinson@...) wrote:
> Hi,
>
> I've found that using 2100Mah 'Instant' NiMh batteries are the best option as they don't
> self discharge unlike normal rechargeable batteries
> and thus last longer if the set is left for some time.
> Many compaines including Vapextech & Energizer make these special
> types of batteries.
>
> I use the built-in charging function if I have spare time on my hands -
> usually overnight when the unit is not in use. I usually externally charge
> the batteries with a 'smart' charger as its the best option to prolong the
> battery life & quality.
>
> Hope that helps,
> Dan.

2641. Re: [de1103] batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 13:24:52 UTC
From: Skywarn
Topic: 2635 Message: 2641

Hello Tao

Remember me?

from Palm Beach Gardens Florida I ordered the degen 1103 last
year or so its still working very well//I have been happy with it!
I use 2650mah duracell nimh batteries..excellent ones..thats
the highest they make for mah ratings.

Any newer versions coming out?

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: Tao Qu
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, September 05, 2010 8:15 AM
Subject: RE: [de1103] batteries

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To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] batteries

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Also, if you're using NiMH cells, do you find the charging circuit in the radio useful, or do you externally charge?

Many thanks
John

2642. Re: GOOD NEWS... the kaito-de1103 groups is clean...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 14:08:19 UTC
From: aircheckclover
Topic: 2628 Message: 2642

Wow! Nice work George.

Mark

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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "gvastianos" <gvastianos@...> wrote:
>
> I just wrote them explaining the situation and also mention that I have done work to locate and log all the adult sp-m content in the old group ... so it was only the moderator rights in order to save the group. Then they replied that they believe that I have good effords BUT I need first the trust of the members via a poll in order to vote me as moderator.
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> I have already changed the description of the old group and included a link for this one...
>
> Also thanks for your trust to make me co-owner of this group. You will have my help when you need it..
>
> best 73
>
> george SV8GXC
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Leon" <leon355@> wrote:
> >
> > I just remembered that I originally tried to take the group over before forming this group, but Yahoo told me that without the original owner's permission it wasn't possible. They didn't mention the procedure you used.
> >
>

2643. RE: [de1103] batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 14:30:29 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2635 Message: 2643

Hi Paul,

Nice to meet you at here!

So far there is not any new upgrade on the de1103 radio, the last version continued for two years already...-:)

- Tao Qu

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Skywarn
Sent: Sunday, September 05, 2010 9:25 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] batteries

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Paul

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To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, September 05, 2010 8:15 AM
Subject: RE: [de1103] batteries

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Many thanks
John

2644. Re: [de1103] batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 15:24:15 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 2635 Message: 2644

On 05/09/2010 12:50, syfr wrote:
> What kind of batteries are people using and what say,is the run time of a 2300mAh supplied radio?
> Also, if you're using NiMH cells, do you find the charging circuit in the radio useful, or do you externally charge?

I use two sets of NiMH batteries, and charge them externally, swapping them when they become discharged.

Leon
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Leon Heller
G1HSM

2645. Re: batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 15:38:04 UTC
From: danny.parkinson
Topic: 2635 Message: 2645

Vapextech are now making some 2900Mah batteries of which
I'm shortly gonna get a set to use in my Degan.

I've been using both the 'Instant 2100' batteries that thay
do and the previous 2500Mah standard NiMh batteries that they
have.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Leon Heller <leon355@...> wrote:
>
> On 05/09/2010 12:50, syfr wrote:
> > What kind of batteries are people using and what say,is the run time of a 2300mAh
supplied radio?
> > Also, if you're using NiMH cells, do you find the charging circuit in the radio useful,
or do you externally charge?
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>
> I use two sets of NiMH batteries, and charge them externally, swapping
> them when they become discharged.
>
> Leon
> --
> Leon Heller
> G1HSM
>

2646. RF Interference on the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 15:44:05 UTC
From: danny.parkinson
Topic: 2646 Message: 2646

Has anyone else had RFI problems when connecting a laptop
PC to the line-out?

I cannot seem to cure the problem and it is causing a major hassle
when trying to decode WEFAX broadcasts. I've acually resorted in using
a small FM tranmitter that you would use for an MP3 player, connecting
that to the line-out and rebroadcasting on a blank FM frequency
and using a standard FM radio plugged into my laptop's audio
input. This works and seems to cure the problem but I would like
to find if anyone can help with a more suitable cure so I can
just plug the laptop into the radio's line-out.

BTW, those ferrite coils added to the wires do not work!

2647. Re: [de1103] RF Interference on the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 15:53:36 UTC
From: Skywarn
Topic: 2646 Message: 2647

Use the radio shack audio transformer isolator.

paul
On 9/5/2010 11:44:05 AM, danny.parkinson (danny.parkinson@...) wrote:
> Has anyone else had RFI problems when connecting a laptop
> PC to the line-out?
>
> I cannot seem to cure the problem and it is causing a major hassle
> when trying to decode WEFAX broadcasts.
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> a small FM tranmitter that you would use for an MP3 player, connecting
> that to the line-out and rebroadcasting on a blank FM frequency
> and using a standard FM radio plugged into my laptop's
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> to find if anyone can help with a more suitable cure so I can
> just plug the laptop into the radio's line-out.
>
> BTW, those ferrite coils added to the wires do not work!

2648. Re: RF Interference on the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 16:31:35 UTC
From: danny.parkinson
Topic: 2646 Message: 2648

I've seen them on ebay (not the RS one) but many
that a very similar for about £4-£5 (UK Pounds)
would they do the job?

Link;
http://cgi.ebay.co.uk/GROUND-LOOP-ISOLATOR-GOLD-RCA-STOPS-BUZZING-201-086-/390102477564?pt=UK_Computing_CablesConnectors_RL&hash=item5ad3eb6afc

-or-
http://cgi.ebay.co.uk/RCA-GROUND-LOOP-ISOLATOR-NOISE-AUDIO-FILTER-KILLS-HUM-/280518300793?pt=LH_DefaultDomain_0&hash=item4150319479

I dont know whether links are allowed in the forum, so sorry if
this is a breach.

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> paul
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> > input. This works and seems to cure the problem but I would like
> > to find if anyone can help with a more suitable cure so I can
> > just plug the laptop into the radio's line-out.
> >
> > BTW, those ferrite coils added to the wires do not work!
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2649. Re: [de1103] Re: RF Interference on the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 16:37:21 UTC
From: Skywarn
Topic: 2646 Message: 2649
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Ground loop isolator would be okay which actually gets rid of the hum.
This is isolating audio transformer 1:1 ratio

Isolation Transformer
Model:
273-1374
| Catalog #: 273-1374

a.. the box

1:1 Isolation Transformer

On 9/5/2010 12:31:35 PM, danny.parkinson (danny.parkinson@...) wrote:
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> -or-
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>
> I dont know whether links are allowed in the forum, so sorry if
> this is a breach.

2650. Re: RF Interference on the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 16:46:28 UTC
From: danny.parkinson
Topic: 2646 Message: 2650

Thanks for that, I've found a suitable one available in the UK
from T2 retail -
exactly as pictured and the same spec but from a different company.

It seems that Radioshack in the UK is different than the US one!

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Skywarn" <wxwatch@...> wrote:
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> > this is a breach.
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2651. Re: [de1103] Re: RF Interference on the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 17:11:31 UTC
From: Skywarn
Topic: 2646 Message: 2651

Yes,,

In the past i used that for isolating the buzzzesss and hmmmm when i use to use the wefax and rtty using the degen and serial port interface.

Wefax is very limited now..i use to like the us navy wefax but that went out a long time ago.. They never shud have gotten rid of it.. They should bring that back online..I remember teh transmitter use to be in norfolk and then moved to maine..after wards they went off the air..I think they may still do it as back up or on demand..the one that is good now is the coast guard boston and louisiana wefax stations and the ukmet wefaxt station.

Rtty the canadian station metoc and ukmet 45 baud rate..slow but at least fewer errors.. it would be nice if they switch to FEC mode error correcting for text weather data hourl obs upper air etc..

Paul

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> > Isolation Transformer
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2652. Re: [de1103] batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 17:36:12 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 2635 Message: 2652

Hi John. I am using Kodak (precharged) 2100mah NiMH batteries. I charge them in the radio, and they last 24-27 hours on a charge. These batteries are hard to find now, so for my digital camera I use Rayovac (8x) NiMH batteries. They are working well so far.

Never use any charger that runs the batteries all the way down before charging, as this can dammage the batteries. Also never let batteriws sit in a (nearly) discharged state. This can shorten the life of the batteries.

ttyl.

On 09/05/2010 06:50 AM, syfr wrote:
> What kind of batteries are people using and what say,is the run time
> of a 2300mAh supplied radio? Also, if you're using NiMH cells, do you
> find the charging circuit in the radio useful, or do you externally
> charge?
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> Many thanks John
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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CUL8R

KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell
A Satisfied Sidux Linux user! To get Sidux go to: www.sidux.com/index.html
If electricity comes from electrons does that mean morality comes from morons?

2653. Re: RF Interference on the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 17:57:00 UTC
From: danny.parkinson
Topic: 2646 Message: 2653

We still have a good WEFAX service in the UK from
GYA Northwood on the following freq's

2618.5 (2616.6) kHz*
4610 (4608.1) kHz
8040 (8038.1) kHz
11086.5 (11084.6) kHz
18261 (18259.1) kHz*

* = Not 24 Hrs

I use 4608 with good results.

You might pick these up if the skip is good!

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> Yes,,
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> In the past i used that for isolating the buzzzesss and hmmmm when i use to
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> > > Isolation Transformer
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2654. Re: [de1103] Re: GOOD NEWS... the kaito-de1103 groups is clean...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 17:58:55 UTC
From: Sudipta Ghose
Topic: 2628 Message: 2654

Thanks.....keep it up!
SG
Kolkata
India

On Sun, Sep 5, 2010 at 7:38 PM, aircheckclover <mdh@...> wrote:

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> Wow! Nice work George.
>
> Mark
>
> +++++++++++++++++++
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com <de1103%40yahoogroups.com>, "gvastianos"
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> > I just wrote them explaining the situation and also mention that I have
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> trust of the members via a poll in order to vote me as moderator.
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> have my help when you need it..
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> > best 73
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> > george SV8GXC
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> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com <de1103%40yahoogroups.com>, "Leon"
> <leon355@> wrote:
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> forming this group, but Yahoo told me that without the original owner's
> permission it wasn't possible. They didn't mention the procedure you used.
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One of those ... ...

2655. Re: GOOD NEWS... the kaito-de1103 groups is clean...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 18:01:18 UTC
From: danny.parkinson
Topic: 2628 Message: 2655

And so it should,
keep the bloody spammers away!

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Sudipta Ghose <oneghose@...> wrote:
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> Thanks.....keep it up!
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> One of those ... ...
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2656. Re: [de1103] Re: RF Interference on the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 19:21:11 UTC
From: Paul M
Topic: 2646 Message: 2656

Unfortunately RS (RadiosShack) don't deliver outside the US, but RS (RadioSpares) do, as does their CPC (both Farnell companies).

UK companies selling components (most deal with small amounts):

http://www.bardwells.co.uk/
http://www.esr.co.uk/
http://www.modecomponents.co.uk/
http://www.jabdog.com/
http://www.rfcandy.biz/shop/
http://www.sycomcomp.co.uk/
http://www.rapidonline.com/
http://www.xs4all.nl/~barendh/Indexeng.htm
http://uk.farnell.com
http://cpc.farnell.com
http://www.maplin.co.uk
http://www.mainlinegroup.co.uk/
http://www.modecomponents.co.uk/

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--- On Sun, 5/9/10, Skywarn <wxwatch@...> wrote:

From: Skywarn <wxwatch@...>
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: RF Interference on the DE1103
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, 5 September, 2010, 19:37

Ground loop isolator would be okay which actually
gets rid of the hum.
This is isolating audio transformer 1:1
ratio

Isolation Transformer

2657. Re: [de1103] Re: RF Interference on the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 19:39:41 UTC
From: Skywarn
Topic: 2646 Message: 2657

At least The Uk thinks of wefax being an important service to the
people of England.. In the U.S. here the politics on these services
is a waste of time and money.

Then they go on and say we believe in services to protect life and property.

Paul
On 9/5/2010 1:57:00 PM, danny.parkinson (danny.parkinson@...) wrote:
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> * = Not 24 Hrs
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> I use 4608 with good results.
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> You might pick these up if the skip is good!
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Skywarn" <wxwatch@...> wrote:

2658. Re: RF Interference on the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 20:29:39 UTC
From: danny.parkinson
Topic: 2646 Message: 2658

Don't count on it...
I don't think weather fax will be around forever
it just seems that in both the UK and Germany
the service is still good although our UK service
does not broadcast all the time, they only turn on
the carrier when the fax is about to be transmitted
(to save power) wheras the Germany signal broadcasts
a constant carrier even when no signal is being recieved.

I can recieve both here in Cambs,UK although the German
signals are strong in the evening and night as opposed
the the low to average signal I can pick up from Northwood
UK's service.

I use the maps mainly for reference as they are far more
detailed the usuless maps we see on TV!

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Skywarn" <wxwatch@...> wrote:
>
> At least The Uk thinks of wefax being an important service to the
> people of England.. In the U.S. here the politics on these services
> is a waste of time and money.
>
> Then they go on and say we believe in services to protect life and property.
>
> Paul
> On 9/5/2010 1:57:00 PM, danny.parkinson (danny.parkinson@...) wrote:
> > We still have a good WEFAX service in the UK from
> > GYA Northwood on the following freq's
> >
> > 2618.5 (2616.6) kHz*
> > 4610 (4608.1) kHz
> > 8040 (8038.1) kHz
> > 11086.5 (11084.6) kHz
> > 18261 (18259.1) kHz*
> >
> > * = Not 24 Hrs
> >
> > I use 4608 with good results.
> >
> > You might pick these up if the skip is good!
> >
> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Skywarn" <wxwatch@> wrote:
>

2659. Ground Loop Isolation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 21:12:33 UTC
From: danny.parkinson
Topic: 2659 Message: 2659

As a follow-up to my previous post, finding a suitable solution for laptop noise when connected to line-out of the radio,

I have found this item at maplins which I'm hoping will solve the problem. Can someone with a more technical idea point out if this would help?

Item: Ground loop isolator from Maplins UK
stock code: VW43W

2660. Re: [de1103] Ground Loop Isolation

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-05 22:12:21 UTC
From: Paul M
Topic: 2659 Message: 2660

Is it possible the noise is coming from the unswitched (I assume) laptop power supply?

Disclaimers: I have entered into no agreements regarding mails erroneously sent to this address, and reserve the right to do as I wish with any such emails.

--- On Mon, 6/9/10, danny.parkinson <danny.parkinson@...> wrote:

> From: danny.parkinson <danny.parkinson@...>
> Subject: [de1103] Ground Loop Isolation
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Monday, 6 September, 2010, 0:12
> As a follow-up to my previous post,
> finding a suitable
> solution for laptop noise when connected to line-out
> of the radio,
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> I have found this item at maplins which I'm hoping will
> solve the problem. Can someone with a more technical
> idea point out if this would help?
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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> de1103-fullfeatured@yahoogroups.com
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2661. WEFAX service

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-06 05:04:07 UTC
From: ollicat2003
Topic: 2661 Message: 2661

I would like to try receive WEFAX with my DE1103 and I think I need a good software. Could please anyone give me some advice on the matter ?

2662. Re: RF Interference on the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-06 05:43:54 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2646 Message: 2662

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Skywarn" <wxwatch@...> wrote:
>
> Use the radio shack audio transformer isolator.
>
> paul
> On 9/5/2010 11:44:05 AM, danny.parkinson (danny.parkinson@...) wrote:
> > Has anyone else had RFI problems when connecting a laptop
> > PC to the line-out?
> >
> > I cannot seem to cure the problem and it is causing a major hassle
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> > I've acually resorted in using
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> > just plug the laptop into the radio's line-out.
> >
> > BTW, those ferrite coils added to the wires do not work!

take a 1" toroid, pass the audio cable, at the PC side, thro it, 6 to 7 turns and then connect

this would help reduce noise.
this trick I gathered from www.drmrx.org/forum

2663. Re: batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-06 11:29:33 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2635 Message: 2663

I must admit that because I have many radios but use some of them infrequently rechargeables are not convenient for me...I stick with alkalines. But when I have used rechargeables, such as for a camara which used AA's, I think teh use of the best smart charger you can get is a good way to go. Radios with manual chargers where you set the charge time seem like a pretty good way to be sure you won't get the most out of the battereis as you will never know when each cell is fully topped off but not overcharged.

Jay

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "syfr" <johnmb@...> wrote:
>
> What kind of batteries are people using and what say,is the run time of a 2300mAh supplied radio?
> Also, if you're using NiMH cells, do you find the charging circuit in the radio useful, or do you externally charge?
>
> Many thanks
> John
>

2664. Re: RF Interference on the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-06 11:32:49 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2646 Message: 2664

There has been from time to time on eBay an isolator which many users report cures this...I couldnt find it when i looked just now. I suspect it maybe a transforme isolator to block RF but pass audio.

Jay

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "danny.parkinson" <danny.parkinson@...> wrote:
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> PC to the line-out?
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> just plug the laptop into the radio's line-out.
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2665. Re: [de1103] Re: RF Interference on the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-06 12:05:52 UTC
From: Skywarn
Topic: 2646 Message: 2665

Correct as i said before it is an isolating transformer...the specs
i think is a 1:1 isolating audio transformer 600ohms:600ohms.
Input output..radio shack makes it as well as others..which to me
is surprising as to why manufactures dont put a integrated audio
filter on the output side of the degen for using external amps pre
amps etc..to audio devices to be used..

Paul
On 9/6/2010 7:32:49 AM, jallenhartford2000 (jaypolicow@...) wrote:
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2666. Re: WEFAX service

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-06 15:48:04 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 2661 Message: 2666

Here is a link to many different software programs and I beleive most if not all are free....

http://www.tigertronics.com/sl_soft.htm

73 Rod KB8DNS

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "ollicat2003" <tique07@...> wrote:
>
> I would like to try receive WEFAX with my DE1103 and I think I need a good software. Could please anyone give me some advice on the matter ?
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2667. Re: [de1103] batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-06 16:52:41 UTC
From: Gordon Cooper
Topic: 2635 Message: 2667

I am using the Eneloop AA batteries. They seem to last longer than other NiMh cells in my DE1103. I invested in the Maha/Powerex C9000 smart charger. It does bring back NiMh cells from the dead, though it takes a very long time-about 50 hours.

Good NiMh cells, trickle or smart charged, can last over eight years in service. If you use a fast charger, it will toast your batteries.

73,

Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM

2668. Re: WEFAX service

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-06 17:52:24 UTC
From: danny.parkinson
Topic: 2661 Message: 2668

Two of the batter programs I found are;

WXSat which is free but is a pig to first setup &
JVComm32 which is a great piece of software but is shareware
so there is a charge.

Also, please check the net to make sure what WEFax services are
available in your area and as I've already been advised, get an audio
isolation transformer or ground loop remover to connect between the
computer and the line-out of the radio.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "poikaa" <kb8dns@...> wrote:
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2669. RE: [de1103] batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-07 00:00:02 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2635 Message: 2669

Maha Powerex is very good charger with high quality and performance! -:)

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Gordon Cooper
Sent: Tuesday, September 07, 2010 12:53 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] batteries

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Gordon Cooper
KE7RYM

2670. Re: RF Interference on the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-07 04:25:33 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2646 Message: 2670

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mvs" <mvs_sarma@...> wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Skywarn" <wxwatch@> wrote:
> >
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connect
>
> this would help reduce noise.
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>
here is the picture in the photos corner

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/photos/album/418841846/pic/list

2671. Re: Battery charging

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-21 17:38:19 UTC
From: gmcjetpilot
Topic: 1966 Message: 2671

This may sound stupid, no offense, but is it possible you are not setting the charge time? You have to follow the manual, and use the joggle wheel to set hours of charge. (about 10 hrs on totally depleted batteries. I recommend only charging fully discharged or depleted batteries.) The manual has detailed info, procedures and cautions in the Manual. Here are some of the main steps off the top of my head.

-Wall wart plugged in wall and radio
-Radio OFF
-Press and hold SEL button
-Use Joggle to set hours (9 hours is a good start)
-Once it is charging you see battery icon flash
-You can turn radio on and use it on wall wart power
-If you want to see remaining charge time press hold VOL
-Do not charge fully (or partially charged) batteries
-Of course no alkaline

There is a page or two on charging. You should review it.

The internal charger is a DUMB charger but works great. I say dumb because it is NOT automatic. It works on TIME (you set) only. So you have to do the math**. Over charging is worse than undercharging. "Real" stand alone chargers have Delta VOLT, TEMP monitoring to shut the charge off automatically. Some have fancy "programs" that change the charge voltage, cut back and than go back up to handle some particular issues with charging NiMh. There are books on the subject. All you need to know is the 1103 Charger DOES WORK..... You just have to estimate charge time and set it.

There is something wrong. I use the charger and it works great. For the record I run it until it shuts down automatically from low volts. I get about 7-9 hours of operation. I tried to time it but they way I use the radio that is a month or months. I do think it is important to drain the battery before charging. NiMh is better than NiCd was for "memory" but NiMh still does benefit for "conditioning", aka discharge before charge. Some chargers do this automatically or with a button.

** Battery math:
The manual says to take the rating of the battery in mAh, say 1300 mAh and divide by 100. You get 13 which is charge time hours. I recall they come with this size. I personally don't charger them a full 13 hours ever. I charge 10 hours, may be

11 hours. That is all they need to come up to full voltage. You might shove a tiny bet more of electrical power into the battery, but I find all charged NiMh batteries drop a little fast in the first hour and than levels off. That voltage is set in the chemistry of that particular battery. Almost every make, brand, size of NiMh I have, will have different final charged voltages. Some are only 1.38 volts (my weaker NiMi) and some 1.45 or a tad more, may be 1.48 volts. You will never typically see 1.5 or 1.6 volts on a NiMh like you don with fresh alkalines. Most important is what voltage it is in the first hour and than the 4 or 5th hour. It should remain fairly flat.

I charge ~10 hours. The idea is drain fully (or as fully as the radio allows which is below 1.2 volts per cell). Not when the radio shuts down the voltage of the cells will be about 1.21 volts. If you let it sit, they recover to something under 1.30 volts. Turn the radio on with in a minute to five minutes the radio will shut off.

10 hours is about right, 11-12 hrs tops. I know the 1103 charger is sophisticate. It is dead simple and has no self timer, temp, Delta Charge rate voltage monitoring like ANY good NiMh charger.

While I try and discharge the radio fully, and the batteries go kaa-put and still need to run the radio on battery, I do have a spare set (I have about 28 NiMh AA's and AAA's). I use two external chargers if needed. I did some tests, comparing charging between my different chargers and the 1103 internal charging. I did some test and found that 10 hours was a good charge time. At some point during charge there is diminishing returns and you just heat the battery and reduce it's life.

As far as your problem I can tell you the charger when used with care is super covenant and works great. The built in TIMER is great, but you have to set it with care.

Cheers

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Amar Padekar <eknathpadekar@...> wrote:
>
> Hi All,
>
> I am not able to charge my batteries using inbuilt charger.
> Can any one suggest steps to do this.
>
> Thanks
> Eknath

2672. Re: [de1103] Re: Battery charging

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-21 21:26:42 UTC
From: Skywarn
Topic: 1966 Message: 2672

I use a sperate charger for my duracell 2600mah batteries AA and rotate them. The charger's light goes from red to green once they are charged to capacity.

Paul
Degen 1103 user for 2 years.

On 9/21/2010 1:38:19 PM, gmcjetpilot (gmcjetpilot@...) wrote:
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2673. Memory scan

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-26 09:56:55 UTC
From: lyrismatik
Topic: 2673 Message: 2673

Hi all,

Got a degen de1103 a lil while ago, everything works fine except I am struggling to find a feature I have noticed in the manual. I thought there was an option to do a memory scan, so it will automatically scan memories for an active frequency but skip the ones that are not active. Is this possible?

Thanks Robb.

2674. RE: [de1103] Memory scan

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-26 10:23:45 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2673 Message: 2674

Hi Robb,

I think the memory scan on the de1103 is not "automatically", it should be manual turn the jog dial knob to view the preset stations in the memory.

Regards,
-Tao Qu

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of lyrismatik
Sent: Sunday, September 26, 2010 5:57 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Memory scan

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Thanks Robb.

2675. Re: Memory scan

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-27 09:18:33 UTC
From: lyrismatik
Topic: 2673 Message: 2675

Hi Tao,

That is what I think too. I just asked as some reviews and wording on blogs, reviews online mention memory scan...I will try and search around more for details. At this stage I find little point using memories, not that I need to have them, it is a "throw around radio"/backup radio.

Robb.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tao Qu" <tquchina@...> wrote:
>
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>
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> manual turn the jog dial knob to view the preset stations in the memory.
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> Regards,
> -Tao Qu

2676. Re: RF Interference on the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-27 18:12:34 UTC
From: danny.parkinson
Topic: 2646 Message: 2676

Just tried an isolater with no joy, and the RF intererence on the
shortwave bands is all over the show now, even without the PC Connected to the line-in.

The best bet is still to put the radio out in the bottom shed, run a long line away from
the house and use an FM modulator to re-broadcast to the house.

Seems I've found someone has a power-line network nearby - damn things
should be banned!

I can at least get a good picture from Northwood on 4607 SSB (4610)

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2677. WeFax

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-28 13:43:34 UTC
From: blklab97
Topic: 2677 Message: 2677

Good job guys on the weather fax connection.
I never kept up with the group due to some spamming but I go the new WF pics. I need to investigate this. I was so close to getting another radio to play with WF. Great news!

2678. WeFax

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-28 21:52:30 UTC
From: Daniel Parkinson
Topic: 2677 Message: 2678

Theres still Northwood WeFax in full operation, I find the best freq. to be 4608 SSB (4610 actual) for the daylight hours. I can get DWD all the time no problem - you can find DWD easier as it has an active signal all the time, cant remember the freq. off hand as its saved on the radio.

I've posted some pictures of what I recently recieved.

2679. Re: RF Interference on the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-29 03:22:07 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2646 Message: 2679

I understnad that there are PLCC and power distribution metering info transfer data systems that work on power lines. these cause heavy interference. these things are reported from UK and some European nations. You know ell that many other sources of disturbance are there right in the home , like CFL, Fan regulators, ISDN lines, etc.
possibly no cure unless the concerned nations change the frequency band of such , to higher slots.

thus I feel that Rx placement and antenna Height with sue shielding, and isolated working (without using charger), and use of toroid based audio cable filtering can help to manage such interference (though you fell that such things did not work).

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2680. Re: [de1103] Re: RF Interference on the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-29 12:30:13 UTC
From: Paul M
Topic: 2646 Message: 2680

If you are in the UK check out the QRM UK yahoo group - they are trying to get these devices thrown out.

You can make a complaint to Ofcom (the UK regulating body) who should investigate and can have them removed/replace with wired connections.

See http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/UKQRM/?yguid=81039924

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--- On Wed, 29/9/10, Mvs <mvs_sarma@...> wrote:

> From: Mvs <mvs_sarma@...>
> Subject: [de1103] Re: RF Interference on the DE1103
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Wednesday, 29 September, 2010, 6:22
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> (danny.parkinson@) wrote:
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2682. Re: [de1103] Re: RF Interference on the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-29 16:56:03 UTC
From: Daniel Parkinson
Topic: 2646 Message: 2682

I have (oddly enough) done some tests with the Degen and found that the CFL's that I use do not create any noticeable RFI, I use mostly Philips Genie and some GE bulbs. I also have found the striplight we have in the kitchen is noisy, but not overpowering.

I do, however have a shed light that has a 9w CFL which runs on 12v and that is a noisy thing RF wise!

I cannot find anyhing in our house, other than the laptop power supply and a smart battery charger which uses a switching mode PSU, which generates much local interference.

If I take the radio for a walk and go to a nearby house, there is a loud 'buzzing' sound which distorts and blocks most frequencies right from 3Mhz right upto about 27Mhz so that must be one of those bloody powerline networks.

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From: Mvs <mvs_sarma@...>
Subject: [de1103] Re: RF Interference on the DE1103
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Wednesday, 29 September, 2010, 4:22

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possibly no cure unless the concerned nations change the frequency band of such , to higher slots.

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2683. Re: [de1103] Re: RF Interference on the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-09-29 17:38:30 UTC
From: Paul M
Topic: 2646 Message: 2683

If you go to http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S__UBDaL-aE there is a video of these network adapters, you can check if it is similar to what you are experiencing.

Disclaimers: I have entered into no agreements regarding mails erroneously sent to this address, and reserve the right to do as I wish with any such emails.

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From: Daniel Parkinson <danny.parkinson@...>
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2684. Degen 1103 compared to Sony SW30 SW55 SW77

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-10-09 17:18:46 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 2684 Message: 2684

Hello,
Has anyone ever tested the Degen/Kaito 1103 against Sony SW receivers like SW30, SW55 or SW77?
If so what was the result?
Technology is quite the same, Sony also uses 1st IF at 55845 Khz and 2nd at 450...very comparable if you ask me...

Thanks for letting me know!
Bruno

Best regards, Meilleures salutations, Mit freundlichen Grussen,
Bruno Geuth

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2685. Re: Degen 1103 compared to Sony SW30 SW55 SW77

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-10-09 19:55:09 UTC
From: Gilberto Vernamas
Topic: 2684 Message: 2685

Hello Bruno,

Tough question to answer, it depends on what your requirements are. See reviews below.

 reviews of DE1103 http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/4288?page=1 and http://www.radiointel.com/review-degende1103.htm
 reviews of SW77 http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/480 and
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Kind Regards,
Gil

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2686. Re: Does your DE31MS work?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-10-27 19:31:50 UTC
From: livingj2
Topic: 1018 Message: 2686

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "lgpond" <littlegreenpond@...> wrote:
>
> I got a DE31MS with a DE1103. It really doesn't do much. The tuning
> wheel and the on/off switch do not seem to make any difference. I
> tried it with a RS 399 and I get SW reception similar to a wire
> attached to the external antenna jack with a 1/8" plug. How does your
> DE31MS work?
> Ron
>

I know this reply is a bit late but I'll bet other people have been caught this way ----

I've just got the DE1103/DE31MS combination. I had the same result - the DE31MS didn't do anything. THEN - I realised it was connected the wrong way round. That is - the short lead from the control box was plugged into the loop, and the long extension lead connected the radio to the control box. WRONG !!!

The control box (short) cable plugs into the radio. The long cable connects the loop to the control box. Now - it works very well indeed. I should have read the instructions a little more closely....

John
G4FDD

2687. Re: [de1103] Re: Does your DE31MS work?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-10-28 00:14:08 UTC
From: Antonios Kekalos
Topic: 1018 Message: 2687

I initally made the

I initially made the same mistake myself. Then when I realised my error it
> made a world of difference. I still haven't tried the MW portion yet.
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Tony

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Tony, N4RNI
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Not every conspiracy is a theory-AMC's Rubicon

2688. Re: Does your DE31MS work?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-10-28 16:54:32 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 1018 Message: 2688

You also know for AM radio the Antenna JACK does not work with MW.... UNLESS you do the "TRICK" or Hack. You can always use the inductive coupler coil to passively boost the signal to the internal ferrite loop stick antenna. However if you dial up to 1711 than use SCAN (band down or minus) and let it seek into the MW band the antenna will remain on the antenna jack and not the loops tick. Than you can use the DE31MS loop direct for AM MW BCB.....

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "livingj2" <john@...> wrote:
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> G4FDD
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2689. Re: Does your DE31MS work?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-10-29 11:21:27 UTC
From: livingj2
Topic: 1018 Message: 2689

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Greg" <gmcjetpilot@...> wrote:
>
> You also know for AM radio the Antenna JACK does not work with
> MW.... UNLESS you do the "TRICK" or Hack. You can always use
> the inductive coupler coil to passively boost the signal to
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> up to 1711 than use SCAN (band down or minus) and let it seek
> into the MW band the antenna will remain on the antenna jack
> and not the loops tick. Than you can use the DE31MS loop direct
> for AM MW BCB.....
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Yes - I found the hack thanks to this group ! The DE31MS works well on MF in this mode . No need to use the ferrite bar coupler.

Also - I've found the VLF performance of the receiver is quite surprising - I can hear signals all the way down to 18KHz. This needs an external VLF active antenna, though.

73
John
G4FDD

2690. New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-11-29 04:11:10 UTC
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343 Message: 2690

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the de1103
group.

File : /favswfreqs2.odt
Uploaded by : kb0hae1 <kb0hae@...>
Description : 2010 fall sw schedule

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/favswfreqs2.odt

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/l/us/yahoo/groups/original/members/web/index.html
Regards,

kb0hae1 <kb0hae@...>

2691. wrong frequency display

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-11-29 10:44:14 UTC
From: BIOMET
Topic: 2691 Message: 2691

Hi fellows :

I have a degen 1103 who has this problem:
It shows the frequency with a +15 khz drift, let me explain better when I tune the radio who broadcast in 600 khz but the radio display shows 615khz.
Its only happen in LW, MW, and SW, but in FM the frequency are correct
any advice or solutions to share?

thanks in advance

Jorge

2692. Re: wrong frequency display

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-11-30 11:03:46 UTC
From: Julian Hardstone
Topic: 2691 Message: 2692

Jorge - There are known problems with the 2nd Local Oscillator on AM. Do you have any other symptoms? If you tune an AM station with the tuning knob (in 1kHz steps) is the tuning correct? Try
it also in SSB mode and check that the beat note changes correctly in 1kHz steps

The 2nd LO should be 55 394.5kHz for even dial freq's and 55 395.5kHz for odd dial freq's. You may
be able to check this with a scanner receiver. If there is a problem it will be necessary to adjust
the oscillator

- Julian

2693. DE1103 S-Meter Fault

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-04 19:18:50 UTC
From: radioshedtw
Topic: 2693 Message: 2693

Hi, I have a new DE1103 (purchased from Ebay around 1 month ago) which works fine apart from the S-Meter which has faded until it can only be viewed with the set almost horizontal, and even then the contrast is low. The rest of the LCD display is fine, it's just the S-Meter which seems to have changed it's 'viewing angle'. This also is the case when the meter is acting as the battery level indicator. Not a massive problem as the meter is not hugely important to me, but I'm interested if others have this fault and a possible cure.
Thanks
Ian.

2694. Re: DE1103 S-Meter Fault

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-05 14:12:49 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2693 Message: 2694

Mine is several years old and there is no problem. I don't remember is there a contrast control? I don't think so but I would double check. Sounds like it could be a bad spot on the LCD display, or loose connection to the LCD display. A connector wiggle could fix it. The LCD mounting has flexed the display? Loosen the mount could restore that corner of the LCD. (These are all obvious wild guessing that could be fixed or checked semi easily).

If a month old contact the seller and see if they take it back, for a trade.

Google: LCD display faded, see if any one has thoughts on this subject. I have read about this subject in the past in general but don't recall all the issues. LCD's are very reliable.

Cheers

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> Thanks
> Ian.
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2695. Re: DE1103 S-Meter Fault

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-05 17:43:53 UTC
From: livingj2
Topic: 2693 Message: 2695

I had this happen on a Sangean ATS909. One of the legends on the LCD display faded, but all the others remained OK.
As far as I'm aware, this is due to a poor connection on the line that drives that particular part of the display, or possibly, a failing drive transistor.
In either case, there's not much you can do about it. It's a very common minor fault on consumer-grade electronics.

73
John
G4FDD

2696. Re: DE1103 S-Meter Fault

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-05 21:52:07 UTC
From: Ian Smith
Topic: 2693 Message: 2696

The elusive S-Meter has now returned, and consistently so.
I spent some considerable time this afternoon and this evening with the DE1103, the meter was back to it's old self. I'm guessing that at worst it's one of those darn intermittent faults or possibly the result of the set being stored in a cold room before use. I have seen LCD displays fade due to low temperatures in the past, odd that it was only the meter segments though. Thanks to all who replied to my posting. Although it's been said many times before, it really is a remarkable set for its type.
Has anyone tried it with the Degen DE31MS active loop, does the '1103 benefit from this or does it create more problems than it solves ?

Many thanks and 73s
Ian.

BTW, Am I only the person who quite likes the volume control arrangement ??

2697. Re: DE1103 S-Meter Fault

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-05 23:39:27 UTC
From: DB
Topic: 2693 Message: 2697

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Ian Smith <radioshedtw@...> wrote:
>

> BTW, Am I only the person who quite likes the volume control arrangement ??
>

Yes ;-)

I tolerate it fairly well though.

2698. Re: DE1103 S-Meter Fault

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-06 12:36:33 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2693 Message: 2698

Cold temps are not good for LCD's. They should work but still
keep your baby in a storage case inside in a warm drawer. Good,
I like self healing radios. G

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2699. New member.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-08 17:04:37 UTC
From: mike.lee8520
Topic: 2699 Message: 2699

Hi all,
I have many shortwave radios that I use, so some while ago I got a new Degen DE1103 from eBay.
I was very surprised at how good it is compared to others of the same style.
Now and then I use a Global ATU 1000 and 40` end fed wire antenna for great reception.
But in bed late at night for the short antenna it has it does pick up a load of stations, for batteries sake I use a PSU the original one packed up in no time, no point in sending it back for that.

All in all a great little radio.

Mike.

2700. WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-23 10:05:22 UTC
From: ondacorta01
Topic: 2700 Message: 2700

Hello,

I just received my copy of WRTH 2011 and... surprise !!
After having ignored it for several years, there is eventually a review of the Degen 1103..
disappointingly, it is absolutely obscene ! The 1103 is depicted as being almost useless on all bands, and much worse than the Tecsun PL310...
This is so ludicrous that I must conclude that reviewers at WRTH are incompetent (and I don't believe this) or heavily biased (ads?)...
Whichever is the case, I won't trust their opinion any longer..

73, Mike

BTW, I own and use both of them (and many other rx)

2701. Re: [de1103] WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-23 12:28:25 UTC
From: Mike Lee
Topic: 2700 Message: 2701

Hi there,
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The SSB mode is clean and clear not a problem, memory storage is plenty
for those channels you like to keep.
Just using the antenna that comes with it I get very good results. A
tape output is also very handy.
I have also gone to other sites and the opinions of others have been
positive rather than negative.

I am disgusted about all the bad things that has been said about the
1103, I know full well this is very wrong.
Far to many people have said a lot of positive things about the Degen
De1103 so why this?

I will not trust any thing again from this one.....

It seems to me that this person just does not like the Degen and its as
simple as that.
I don't like some radios out there but I would not give them a bad press
because of what I don't like.

I think the person is an idiot, the Degen De1103 is a very good radio
and has features I like.

Mike Lee

2702. Re: [de1103] WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-23 12:36:18 UTC
From: Bruno
Topic: 2700 Message: 2702

Incompetent!!!
My Degen 1103 has thousands of very positive reviews on internet, and as à collector I can easily compare it to my other receivers: À very good sw unit!!!

Maybe wrth is biassed by THE lack of adds for this very fine Chinese product...
Bruno

Verstuurd vanaf mijn iPad

Op 23-dec.-2010 om 13:28 heeft Mike Lee <mike.lee8520@...> het volgende geschreven:

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2703. Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-23 14:55:11 UTC
From: AMI
Topic: 2700 Message: 2703

Thank you very much for warning us, Mike!

Would you or someone else let us all read a full copy of that article, because your words were so strong, that probably many of us are not going to buy 2011 WRTH? I myself have either received as a gift or bought that book for over 30 years...

Best Regards to you and all,

Aimo

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2704. Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-23 16:37:32 UTC
From: pmooney22
Topic: 2700 Message: 2704

Two simple questions:

1. Are there any advertisements in the WRHT?

2. Who are the advertisers?

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2705. Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-23 16:57:38 UTC
From: ondacorta01
Topic: 2700 Message: 2705

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2706. RE: [de1103] Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-23 17:15:42 UTC
From: Dominique Kremp
Topic: 2700 Message: 2706

Hi Mike,

If you post a scan of the article to the group, you could of course be sued for piracy, but not if you post it off group to us.

Sure a lot of us would be pleased to have a closer look at this article !

Thanks in advance

Dominique

Normandy, France

De : de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] De la part de ondacorta01
Envoyé : jeudi 23 décembre 2010 17:58
À : de1103@yahoogroups.com
Objet : [de1103] Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

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Yahoo! Groups Links

Aucun virus trouvé dans ce message.
Analyse effectuée par AVG - www.avg.fr
Version: 10.0.1170 / Base de données virale: 1435/3333 - Date: 23/12/2010

2707. Re: [de1103] WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-23 17:51:42 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 2700 Message: 2707

Hi Guys. I have read reviews of the KA/DE1103 that were positive about the performance, but the reviewers obviously didn't like the analog display/button layout/volume control. To me these things are just different, and easily gotten used to. What matters most to me is how well the radio works.

I have not bought a WRTH for many years. The main reason is that the time/frequency information is quickly outdated, and all of the info therein is available on the net for free. I guess I now have one more reason not to buy!

ttyl

On 12/23/2010 04:05 AM, ondacorta01 wrote:
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KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell
A Satisfied Aptosid Linux user! To get Aptosid go to: www.aptosid.com
They say that if you play a Microsoft CD backwards, you hear satanic

voices. That's nothing, because if you play it forwards, it installs Windows!

2708. Re: [de1103] Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-23 19:58:04 UTC
From: mike mcmanus
Topic: 2700 Message: 2708

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2709. Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-23 21:46:10 UTC
From: AMI
Topic: 2700 Message: 2709

Rubbish!

You surely can write it from word to word, if you only mention, that it is merely a QUOTATION of a larger unity. But if you copy the whole book, and sell it for money, THAT is Piratism!

Ask a layer to be sure.

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I also bought this Chinese receiver, straight from China, and never regretted it, because it is worth many times more! And MUCH cheaper than the US-version, or the one sold in Germany...

Surely my T-T RX340 has many add-ons, which make it a lot more expencive, but it only gives me the same stations as DE1103, but I can manipulate the signal in so many ways, that it is also much more complicated to use... Takes time to get used to study all those finesses of a communications receiver. Is it really worth the effort and plenty of time used?

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2710. Re: [de1103] Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-23 22:00:20 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 2700 Message: 2710

I am VERY satisfied with my DE1103 performance!!!

Bruno

Best regards, Meilleures salutations, Mit freundlichen Grussen,
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--- On Thu, 12/23/10, AMI <aimounto@yahoo.com> wrote:

From: AMI <aimounto@...>
Subject: [de1103] Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, December 23, 2010, 10:46 PM

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2711. Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-23 22:20:04 UTC
From: AMI
Topic: 2700 Message: 2711

Hi!

I have been reading mostly positive emails about the 1103, but there have also been less good thoughts about it, because some people have received bad or even non-functioning products. Some have bought even 2 or more units, which are working excellently well.

It may well have happened to the people at WRTH, that they received one or more "Monday" units with minor performance... Or might they have been too complicated radios to handle them properly?

Anyway, I would like to read more facts, than mere personal opinions about radios, that are sold in millions, because they are so good.

But who can compete with China nowadays, as they have millions of ingenious, highly educated people, who are using the most advanced technology of tomorrow? Just let us wait for the very cheap modern cars, using new methods of energy!

Aimo

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2712. Re: [de1103] Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-23 22:24:58 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 2700 Message: 2712

Here in Europe we have 'Sender & Frequenzen 2011' as an alternative for WRTH.
They give a very positive feed-back on the Degen 1103!

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Have a nice Seasons Holiday and Happy 2011 New Year!!!

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--- On Thu, 12/23/10, mike mcmanus <mikem@...> wrote:

From: mike mcmanus <mikem@evenlink.com>
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, December 23, 2010, 8:58 PM

On 12/23/2010 11:57 AM, ondacorta01 wrote:

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2713. Re: [de1103] Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-23 23:05:20 UTC
From: john
Topic: 2700 Message: 2713

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2714. Re: [de1103] Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-24 00:15:21 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2700 Message: 2714

As the high rating of the PL 310/380 is so over the top, one suspects the reviewer was given an 'incentive' to say good things about this receiver. I have the PL 310 and KA 1103, the PL 310 makes a better paper weight than a radio regardless of the bands in use.

But remember that all the user reviews are subjective and locations vary, any review should be viewed as an indication of how a particular radio performed at the viewer's location at that time.

Example: The KA 1103 was described as a very good performer on FM, I bought mine on the strength of this claim. The reality is that in my location, the radio's performance is abysmal with considerable overload from local stations which makes it useless as a FM DX receiver. As regards MW and SW, it's performance is splendid.

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: mike mcmanus
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 8:58 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

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2715. Re: [de1103] Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-24 01:26:46 UTC
From: Dick Brewster
Topic: 2700 Message: 2715

Hi John,

I'm 30 miles NE of Sacramento. Where can I find more information on the 4.1 mHz beacons?

Dick

From: john <johnmb@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com; de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thu, December 23, 2010 3:05:20 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

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2716. Re: [de1103] Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-24 01:42:06 UTC
From: john
Topic: 2700 Message: 2716

Hi Dick...

I was listening from my parents home in Santa Barbara county

Here's some info

http://www.spynumbers.com/USSWbeacon.html

A little dated,but the 4095-4096 beacons are listenable from that part of
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so use the fine tuning in the SSB position and a wire antenna if you have one.

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2717. Re: [de1103] Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-24 02:21:02 UTC
From: Dick Brewster
Topic: 2700 Message: 2717

Thanks John,

There is lots of interesting stuff to look at there.

Dick

From: john <johnmb@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thu, December 23, 2010 5:42:06 PM
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2718. Re: [de1103] Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-24 03:59:29 UTC
From: Aluizio Antonio dos Santos
Topic: 2700 Message: 2718

Hello Bruno
Just out of curiosity, what does this mean? 50 ° 84 'La 4 ° 62 'Lo

----- Original Message -----
From: bruno geuth
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:24 PM
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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-24 01:29:55 UTC
From: Tim Britt & Ann Weatherwax
Topic: 2700 Message: 2719

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-24 11:00:58 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2700 Message: 2720

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-24 11:13:13 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2700 Message: 2721

What you say abuut a possibly defective unit is true but as a person who writes equipment reviews all the time I don't think it's a good enough excuse. Once one has been evaluating radios for a while he/she should begin to have a feel for what is normal and what is not. There has been so much positive said about the DE1103 and its offspring the E5/G5 over so many years that if I bought one and found its performance to be poor I would expect that it was not right and want to check another unit. One should develop a sense of how a radio should fall within the world of radios such that if a sample performas very poorly one should ahve an idea in advance of what to expect...what is nromal and what is abnormal.

It would seem this reviewer is hopelessly naive or inexpereinced in this class of radios. I suspect honest incompetence rather than advetising-based bias. But that's me. I've certainly seen more incompetent reviews than dishonest ones.

Jay Allen

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> I have been reading mostly positive emails about the 1103, but there have also been less good thoughts about it, because some people have received bad or even non-functioning products. Some have bought even 2 or more units, which are working excellently well.
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> It may well have happened to the people at WRTH, that they received one or more "Monday" units with minor performance... Or might they have been too complicated radios to handle them properly?
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> Anyway, I would like to read more facts, than mere personal opinions about radios, that are sold in millions, because they are so good.
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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-24 11:32:36 UTC
From: Dominique Kremp
Topic: 2700 Message: 2722

I agree with you, it's a shame !

I have a DE1103 and some others in the same prize class (Sony ICW7600G/7600DS/1000T/SW55, Sangean ATS909, Grundig Yacht Boy 80).

It surpasses all of them in selectivity and in sensivity, in AM and in FM.

The only negative point is that it's a bit tricky to use in comparison to the mentioned ones and that one must get used to it to enjoy its qualities.

The WRTH reviewers must have got a pre-production set or an unaligned one or they drunk a bit too much !

One never knows !

I give a damn about their opinion, my (our ?) own is made up !

For the DE1103: Hip, Hip Hurrah !!!

Anyway, Merry Xmas to all of you

Dominique

Normandy France

De : de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] De la part de jallenhartford2000
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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-24 11:14:47 UTC
From: Ed
Topic: 2700 Message: 2723

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-24 14:32:29 UTC
From: spindlecat1
Topic: 2724 Message: 2724

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2725. Re: [de1103] Dead Audio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-24 15:06:26 UTC
From: john
Topic: 2724 Message: 2725

Is it dead both speaker and headphones? When you turn the volume up, do
you see the bars increase on the display?

When you turn the say, DX/LOCAL switch do you hear any crackling noise, etc?

John

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-24 15:35:57 UTC
From: Aluizio Antonio dos Santos
Topic: 2724 Message: 2726

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Now repeat all the above now in my language, portuguese.

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Eu tento resolver o problema apertando o botão de "reset" mas não funciona.
O que tenho feito é retirar as pilhas durante várias horas, e ao recoloca-lá ele funciona normalmente durante vários dias e "morre" de novo.
Isso já vem acontecendo a alguns meses, mas felizmente ele ressuscita após a operação acima.
Se você encontrar uma solução para o problema, por favor envie um email para mim.
Grato
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excuse for the poor english!
----- Original Message -----
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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-24 18:17:09 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2700 Message: 2727

Hi all - Mayhe the reviewed 1103 was a dud, but maybe, unlike the other manufacyurers who gave the reviewer the radio for keeps, Degen only lent the unit - this would give rise to a poor review!
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Date: 2010-12-24 18:54:02 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2700 Message: 2728

That is the thing 2 out of 5 is insane.

Second as you say there are so many pos reviews and good word of mouth. I say WRTH who?

Passport reviewed the DE1103/KA1103 in 2006 (only copy of Passport I have). They grouped receivers in categories. They had pocket portables, portables, laptop portables. In the portables, they gave the DE1103 only 2-7/8 stars out of five. That sounds low but you have to read all the reviews and ratings. (The note the performance was 3)

First radio reviews that are totally subjective, they are like MOVIE REVIEWS, they can be way wrong.

Passport called it "HOSTILE ERGONOMICS" in 2006. HA HA! Passport gave the DE1102 three stars and the DE1101 the same rating as the DE1103, 2-7/8th stars out of 5. You have to read the text. They say of ergonomics, lack of dedicated vol control, one row keypad, no BFO detent, slight SSB distortion, no tone control... They go on to say THREE STARS IN PERFORMANCE. They say if you can stand the "dreadful ergonomics" the DE1103 is an excellent performance value. I can't argue but I think they weigh the Ergo too high and don't really appreciate performance as much as they should. They really hate the display of the pseudo analog screen. Passport likes world map/clocks based on there love of three Sony models (ICF-SW100E/S) and an expensive Sony ICF-SW07 ($400). They see the LCD display on the 1103 as wasted. I like it.

I like the ergonomics and it is a plus to me, because it is compact and LIKE the pseudo analog full band display. I love the small travel size. On performance it's outstanding, from handling strong signals and external antennas with out overload to amazing sensitivity as well as selectivity. In the Pros they say it is a better receiver than the DE1102.

Ergonomics is a heavily weighted in these reviews. No doubt if the reviewer has to read the manual that is three strikes. It is not a full sized lunch box sized radio w/ lots of dials, switches and knobs. You have to get use to the JOGGLE WHEEL. I admit the VOL is a pain. For the most part I leave it parked on "16". However to set it you have a THREE STEP PROCESS:

1-Push Vol button (tiny)
2-Set Vol

3-Wait for it to flip back to TUNE

The last part, waiting for the "Joggle", a minor annoyance. I get around that by using the external speaker jack and small amplifier with vol control and headphones. I might put a sub-mini switch to just turn the speaker off, because that is what I typically want to do, just mute it. Of course just plugging in a 1/8" headphone will silence it as well, but sometimes I don't use a headset. May be I can make a small plastic plug that sets in the headphone jack to use as a speaker switch.

Also I don't use the alarms, but I find if I do, I have to break the manual out to remember how to set and cancel. No big deal the manual is pretty good. If I used that feature all the time I'd remember. The memory numbering system is odd at first but it works well. Lots of memory.

PASSPORT rated the Sony ICF-SW7600GR 3-1/8 stars ($160), which they made PASSPORT Choice with the DE1102 (3 stars) of the small portables. The other passport choice was the Sony ICF-SW07 (3-1/4 stars), a table top night stand like radio with flip screen ($400). The out of production very expensive Sony ICF-SW55 was given 2-7/8 stars, same as D egen DE1103. So in context of the rating the DE1103 did well.

Some other smaller portable radios w/ 2-7/8 stars to 3 stars:

Sangean PT-80/Grundig Yacht Boy 80, 2-7/8 star, $160
Eton G4000A/Grundig G4000A/Yacht Boy 400PE, 3 star, $160
Sony ICF-SW100E and ICF-SW100S, 3 star, $160
Sangean ATS 909, 2-7/8 star, $260

They reviewed a ton of portables in this issue and gave out lots of 1's and 2's.

The also reviewed big portables they called LAPTOP portables, like the Eaton E1 (which advertised in this issue) and Sony ICF-SW77. These radios cost $500 and got the highest ratings, 4-3/8 stars and 3-3/4 stars respectively.

We all know the 1103 rocks in what I care about RF performance.

Cheers, Merry Christmas

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Date: 2010-12-24 20:09:04 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2724 Message: 2729

Hi all - Firstly, I'm sorry, but English is all I can handle - sometimes not the best at that - in regard to your problem - naturally, if you're not up to working on the radio, and it's still under warranty - back to the seller. Alternatively, if you're up to opening the radio - before proceeding any further - it might be a help to download the circuit from "FILES" - if the pin 9 of IC2 (TA2057N) is either pulled up to +6v by 100K, or pulled down to 0V by 100K (I forget which) the IC2 will no longer mute. This can be handy for listening to what's happening while you are scanning as well. In your case, it should stop the radio from muting when the PLL is becoming slightly unstable (I Guess).
Regards, and compliments of the season (if this is your season - if not, no offense meant),
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Oi TomW26@...
Eu tenho um Degen1103 que está apresentando o mesmo problema que o seu.
 Apenas ruído no auto-falante mas nenhum sinal de sintonia em todas as faixas, inclusive FM.
Eu tento resolver o problema apertando o botão de "reset" mas não funciona.
O que tenho feito é retirar as pilhas durante várias horas, e ao recoloca-lá ele funciona normalmente durante vários dias e "morre" de novo.
Isso já vem acontecendo a alguns meses, mas felizmente ele ressuscita após a operação acima.
Se você encontrar uma solução para o problema, por favor envie um email para mim.

Grato
Aluizio
aluiziosantos@...

excuse for the poor english!
----- Original Message -----
>From: spindlecat1
>To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
>Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:32 PM
>Subject: [de1103] Dead Audio
>
>
>I have a KA1103 which was working perfectly until one night I turned it on and
>there was no audio. Period! All bands and volume levels and so forth. Should I
>send it back to Universal Radio? I don't know how to repair it myself.
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2730. Re: Dead Audio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-25 10:19:29 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2724 Message: 2730

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "spindlecat1" <TomW26@...> wrote:
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>
Can you check for head phone reception please!!!

2731. Re: Dead Audio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-25 10:37:32 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2724 Message: 2731

As there ais no facility for editing, here are some comments to aluizioasantos

try warming up the radio to prevent moisture attack. Perhaps this might help.
Later may be you need to take some help to replace a set of electrolytic capacitors to recover the radio back to working order. all the best

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mvs" <mvs_sarma@...> wrote:
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2732. Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-25 15:25:56 UTC
From: aircheckclover
Topic: 2700 Message: 2732

Merry Christmas.

Santa says there is a VOLUME-TUNING shortcut:

1-Push Vol button (tiny)
2-Set Vol
NO -->> 3-Wait for it to flip back to TUNE <<--- NO
new #3) depress any single number on the keypad & immediately begin tuning, where you previously left off.

-Mark

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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Greg" <gmcjetpilot@...> wrote:
>
> That is the thing 2 out of 5 is insane.
>
> Second as you say there are so many pos reviews and good
> word of mouth. I say WRTH who?
>
> Passport reviewed the DE1103/KA1103 in 2006 (only copy of
> Passport I have). They grouped receivers in categories.
> They had pocket portables, portables, laptop portables.
> In the portables, they gave the DE1103 only 2-7/8 stars
> out of five. That sounds low but you have to read all the
> reviews and ratings. (The note the performance was 3)
>
> First radio reviews that are totally subjective, they are
> like MOVIE REVIEWS, they can be way wrong.
>
> Passport called it "HOSTILE ERGONOMICS" in 2006. HA HA!
> Passport gave the DE1102 three stars and the DE1101 the
> same rating as the DE1103, 2-7/8th stars out of 5. You
> have to read the text. They say of ergonomics, lack of
> dedicated vol control, one row keypad, no BFO detent,
> slight SSB distortion, no tone control... They go on to
> say THREE STARS IN PERFORMANCE. They say if you can stand
> the "dreadful ergonomics" the DE1103 is an excellent
> performance value. I can't argue but I think they weigh
> the Ergo too high and don't really appreciate performance
> as much as they should. They really hate the display of
> the pseudo analog screen. Passport likes world map/clocks
> based on there love of three Sony models (ICF-SW100E/S)
> and an expensive Sony ICF-SW07 ($400). They see the LCD
> display on the 1103 as wasted. I like it.

>
> I like the ergonomics and it is a plus to me, because it is
> compact and LIKE the pseudo analog full band display. I love
> the small travel size. On performance it's outstanding, from
> handling strong signals and external antennas with out
> overload to amazing sensitivity as well as selectivity. In
> the Pros they say it is a better receiver than the DE1102.
>
> Ergonomics is a heavily weighted in these reviews. No doubt
> if the reviewer has to read the manual that is three strikes.
> It is not a full sized lunch box sized radio w/ lots of dials,
> switches and knobs. You have to get use to the JOGGLE WHEEL.
> I admit the VOL is a pain. For the most part I leave it parked
> on "16". However to set it you have a THREE STEP PROCESS:
>
> 1-Push Vol button (tiny)
> 2-Set Vol
> 3-Wait for it to flip back to TUNE
>
> The last part, waiting for the "Joggle", a minor annoyance.
> I get around that by using the external speaker jack and
> small amplifier with vol control and headphones. I might put
> a sub-mini switch to just turn the speaker off, because that
> is what I typically want to do, just mute it. Of course just
> plugging in a 1/8" headphone will silence it as well, but
> sometimes I don't use a headset. May be I can make a small
> plastic plug that sets in the headphone jack to use as a
> speaker switch.
>
> Also I don't use the alarms, but I find if I do, I have to
> break the manual out to remember how to set and cancel. No
> big deal the manual is pretty good. If I used that feature
> all the time I'd remember. The memory numbering system is
> odd at first but it works well. Lots of memory.
>
> PASSPORT rated the Sony ICF-SW7600GR 3-1/8 stars ($160),
> which they made PASSPORT Choice with the DE1102 (3 stars)
> of the small portables. The other passport choice was the
> Sony ICF-SW07 (3-1/4 stars), a table top night stand like
> radio with flip screen ($400). The out of production very
> expensive Sony ICF-SW55 was given 2-7/8 stars, same as D
> egen DE1103. So in context of the rating the DE1103 did
> well.
>
> Some other smaller portable radios w/ 2-7/8 stars to 3 stars:
>
> Sangean PT-80/Grundig Yacht Boy 80, 2-7/8 star, $160
> Eton G4000A/Grundig G4000A/Yacht Boy 400PE, 3 star, $160
> Sony ICF-SW100E and ICF-SW100S, 3 star, $160
> Sangean ATS 909, 2-7/8 star, $260

>
> They reviewed a ton of portables in this issue and gave
> out lots of 1's and 2's.
>
> The also reviewed big portables they called LAPTOP portables,
> like the Eaton E1 (which advertised in this issue) and Sony
> ICF-SW77. These radios cost $500 and got the highest ratings,
> 4-3/8 stars and 3-3/4 stars respectively.
>
> We all know the 1103 rocks in what I care about RF performance.
>
> Cheers, Merry Christmas
>
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "ondacorta01" <damico@> wrote:
> >
> > Hello,
> >
> > I just received my copy of WRTH 2011 and... surprise !!
> > After having ignored it for several years, there is eventually a review of the Degen 1103.. disappointingly, it is absolutely obscene ! The 1103 is depicted as being almost useless on all bands, and much worse than the Tecsun PL310...
> > This is so ludicrous that I must conclude that reviewers at WRTH are incompetent (and I don't believe this) or heavily biased (ads?)...
> > Whichever is the case, I won't trust their opinion any longer..
> >
> > 73, Mike
> >
> > BTW, I own and use both of them (and many other rx)
> >
>

2733. My Kaito's Audio Problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-26 17:08:46 UTC
From: spindlecat1
Topic: 2733 Message: 2733

Thanks to everyone, and Happy Holidays. No, my radio is dead to headphones too (this my preferred way of listening, by the way). I'll try taking the batteries out for several hours just for fun. But I'll bet I have a capacitor problem. I know it's fixable.

Tom Wood

2734. Continuous tuning on DE-1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-26 22:22:17 UTC
From: Earl H
Topic: 2734 Message: 2734

I have searched the history in this group and am unable to find the answer to the following question. When I get to the edge of the band I am on, I would like the manual tuning dial to keep going instead of wrapping around to the opposite edge of the current band. Is this possible with the DE-1103? Let me give you a concrete example: as I'm turning the dial and going up the 31m band, when I hit 10000 kHz I would like the radio to keep going 10001 kHz, 10002 kHz, etc. Currently my radio flips from 10000 kHz to 9001 kHz if I keep tuning "up". I am mobility impaired, and I can turn the tuning wheel and that's about it (can't press any buttons), so being able to do the above would help me scan more than just one single meter band. Thanks!

Earl Higgins
St. Louis, Missouri, USA

2735. Re: [de1103] Continuous tuning on DE-1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-26 23:20:44 UTC
From: Wootton Lynn
Topic: 2734 Message: 2735

Earl
Sorry but the only way that I have found is to enter the frequency that would continue on up is to enter just above where the band starts over using the numeric buttons and then pressing the +band button. Possibly someone has found another way.
Lynn

--- On Sun, 12/26/10, Earl H <earlthenut@...> wrote:

From: Earl H <earlthenut@...>
Subject: [de1103] Continuous tuning on DE-1103
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, December 26, 2010, 4:22 PM

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2736. Re: Continuous tuning on DE-1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-27 11:53:08 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2734 Message: 2736

I understand what you are saying, but there is no 100Khz to 30Mhz continuous tuning with joggle dial or scan. It is broken down into bands, MW and:

MW 0.520 - 1.710 Mhz
90m 3.160 - 3.455 MHz
75m 3.860 - 4.055 MHz
60m 4.710 - 5.105 MHz
49m 5.910 - 6.255 MHz
41m 7.010 - 7.405 MHz
31m 9.170 - 9.995 MHz
25m 11.510 - 12.155 MHz
22m 13.510 - 13.905 MHz
19m 15.010 - 15.705 MHz
16m 17.260 - 18.105 MHz
13m 21.410 - 21.955 MHz
11m 25.610 - 26.100 MHz

If you want to get another frequency below MW or above 11m or anything in between you have to punch it in manually. Once in that in between area you can tune with the joggle dial, but when you get to a fixed "band" tuning up or down, it will latch into that band. When using scan up or down it is like manual tuning, it will latch into a band and scan just that band, repeating. I have got use to it and like it. Usually I am entering a Freq I am specifically tuning.

For grins I did a quick spreed sheet of Freqs not in the fixed bands or "gap band": Low, High, Range (Mhz):

00.10 00.52 0.42
01.71 03.16 1.45
03.46 03.86 0.40
04.06 04.71 0.65
05.11 05.91 0.80
06.26 07.01 0.75
07.41 09.17 1.76
10.00 11.51 1.51
12.16 13.51 1.35
13.91 15.01 1.10
15.71 17.26 1.55
18.11 21.41 3.30
21.96 25.61 3.65
26.10 30.00 3.90

Normally I direct tune. If I am scanning SW it tends to
be in the fixed bands... If you want to surf the whole
band the DE/KA1103 configuration is not set up for that.

Cheers

PS there is an exception, if you tune 1711 Khz and scan
down into the "MW" band, it will not latch onto that band,
and will scan below 520 Khz and keep going below 100 Khz
(thus the trick or hack to get below 100 Khz and connect
the MW to the antenna jack, not the internal ferrite loop
-stick antenna.

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2737. Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-28 08:46:08 UTC
From: Bruno
Topic: 2700 Message: 2737

Regarding the DE1103 rating by WRTH, I just would like to remember that WRTH2010 rated the ICOM IC-7600, a $4000 transceiver with 4 stars, and the ETON Satellit 750, a $300 receiver with only 3 stars (even there are many advertising on WRTH about this receiver).
Considering this, I accept that the DE1103 (one of my favourite radios that I use almost dayly) has less than 3 stars.
As soon as I read the review I will post my full opinion about it.
Best regards
Bruno.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Bruno <geuth_consulting@...> wrote:
>
> Incompetent!!!
> My Degen 1103 has thousands of very positive reviews on internet, and as Ã collector I can easily compare it to my other receivers: Ã☐ very good sw unit!!!
>
> Maybe wrth is biassed by THE lack of adds for this very fine Chinese product...
> Bruno
>
>
> Verstuurd vanaf mijn iPad
>
> Op 23-dec.-2010 om 13:28 heeft Mike Lee <mike.lee8520@...> het volgende geschreven:
>
> > Hi there,
> > I agree with you, I own a Degen DE1103 and I am very pleased with it.
> > The SSB mode is clean and clear not a problem, memory storage is plenty for those channels you like to keep.
> > Just using the antenna that comes with it I get very good results. A tape output is also very handy.
> > I have also gone to other sites and the opinions of others have been positive rather than negative.
> >
> > I am disgusted about all the bad things that has been said about the 1103, I know full well this is very wrong.
> > Far to many people have said a lot of positive things about the Degen De1103 so why this?
> >
> > I will not trust any thing again from this one.....
> >
> > It seems to me that this person just does not like the Degen and its as simple as that.
> > I don't like some radios out there but I would not give them a bad press because of what I don't like.
> >
> > I think the person is an idiot, the Degen De1103 is a very good radio and has features I like.
> >
> > Mike Lee
> >
>

2738. just ordered my dream antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-29 02:18:16 UTC
From: Earl H
Topic: 2738 Message: 2738

Christmas present to myself!

I just ordered a Wellbrook ALA-1530S+, which I will use for the time being with my Degen DE-1103. I know, it seems crazy to invest so much antenna into a relatively modest, though well-performing, radio. The reason is that the Wellbrook is, I hope, an investment for a lifetime whereas my 1103 will probably be replaced in the future with beefier, probably tabletop, receivers.

The other reason to go for the Wellbrook is that I live in a crowded urban area rich in QRN and have very little land (165' x 40'). And I like to DX weak signal AM and shortwave.

Now, onto my questions. Does anyone in this group use their 1103 with a Wellbrook? Was there anything in particular you had to do to get them to work together? Did you have to buy or solder together an adapter for the coax lead in from the antenna? Bear in mind, I am a DXer, not terribly handy with a soldering iron, and a bit rusty on my electronics theory. Any information any of you could offer would be most appreciated!

Sincerely,

Earl Higgins
St. Louis, USA

2739. RE: [de1103] just ordered my dream antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-29 10:25:09 UTC
From: Dominique Kremp
Topic: 2738 Message: 2739

Hi Earl,

You did a superb investment indeed and you won't regret it.

This antenna is very very fine. I have one and although it is more designed to work with tabletop receivers, I must say it works however marvelous with the small DE1103. You'll just have sometimes to use the attenuator (LO/DX) to avoid overloading.

The DEGEN1103 doesn't have any BNC socket, the antenna socket is designed for a 3.5mm jack. So you'll have to modify the connection from the interface unit to the rx.

The best would be to make a sort of "adapter", i.e. a female BNC socket + a piece of wire + the 3.5mm jack. Not difficult to solder, if you can't, ask a friend or a technician !

Good luck and let's know abt you impressions.

All the best

Dominique

Normandy, France

De : de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] De la part de Earl H
Envoyé : mercredi 29 décembre 2010 03:18
À : de1103@yahoogroups.com
Objet : [de1103] just ordered my dream antenna

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Analyse effectuée par AVG - www.avg.fr
Version: 10.0.1191 / Base de données virale: 1435/3344 - Date: 28/12/2010

2740. Re: just ordered my dream antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-29 12:26:59 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2738 Message: 2740

Earl,

I have an adapter assortment, mostly purchased as is, that lets me hook up any antenna to any radio, but I have put a few together myself. Electrically my ALA 330S works well with most radios I've tried it with. My older DE-1103 lets it work on AM and SW while my newer one lets the Ant jack work only on SW. Funny that I've also got an E5 whose jack works for AM and a G5 that doesn't. Degen and Eton seem to be all over the place on that feature.

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2741. Re: just ordered my dream antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-29 15:32:24 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2738 Message: 2741

> " I just ordered a Wellbrook ALA-1530S+, which I will use
> for the time being with my Degen DE-1103."

A good antenna is a good antenna. Keep in mind you will needs lots of parts go install it: rotor, coaxial, connectors, poll. I have not seen many used Wellbrooks for sale, but they tend to go for near new price. So it's a good investment.

> "The other reason to go for the Wellbrook is that I live in
> a crowded urban area rich in QRN and have very little land
> (165' x 40'). And I like to DX weak signal AM and shortwave."

Well you may find that the ALA-1530 is not the ideal antenna for your situation. That model is wide band and strong MW AM stations will cause you grief. That is why he made the ALA-330. You will find out if it is an issue or not.

> "Was there anything in particular you had to do to get them
> to work together?"

No secret... the DE1103 has a 1/8" phono plug. You will be feeding it with RG-58 coaxial. So you obviously will need to transition. The BNC connector is a typical coaxial connector. So you will need a BNC to PHONO converter. I RECOMMEND YOU DO NOT HANG COAXIAL OFF YOUR LITTLE RADIO... That jack is NOT a heavy duty chassis mount fitting. Coaxial is stiff and heavy. Cantilevering that coaxial off that little plug could damage it. So you're going to have to figure your cable connections out. I would use a high quality 1/8" audio cable. Plug that into a 1/8" to Phono to RCA jack (common). Then there is a common BNC to RCA adapter you can put use to convert the BNC at the end of you coaxial to phono. There is a 100 ways to do it. The less adaptors the better. I would make a special flexible shielded patch cable with 1/8" phono on one end and a BNC female at the other.

http://www.hifastonline.com/Camera/HF_BNC_RCA_FM.jpg

You know the DE1103 does not connect the antenna jack to MW ever! It uses the internal antenna only! However there is a work around. See the files section or archive for the gouge on how to work around that, to connect MW to the antenna jack if you don't know. It is done with button pushing hack, takes 10 secs; it keeps the internal ferrite loop-stick disabled, so you feed the MW band with the antenna jack.

George

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> St. Louis, USA
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2743. Re: [de1103] Re: just ordered my dream antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-29 19:20:11 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2738 Message: 2743

Hi - If you keep a 1103 in its "below 100KHz" mode, which is fairly easy to do, including memoties and scanning, the front end circuitry still thinks it is at 28MHz, so the antenna socket is still active from 0 to 30MHz.
Regards,
Bob.

From: jallenhartford2000 <jaypolicow@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wed, 29 December, 2010 11:26:59 PM
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2744. Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-29 21:37:38 UTC
From: AMI
Topic: 2700 Message: 2744

All right, wise people!

3 stars is a very positive mark for any portable receiver!

5 stars belong to the most capable communications receivers, which cost thousands of dollars.

I hope, that you are wise enough to understand this simple fact?

If not, that is not my fault, perhaps it is yours?

If these certain portables, made in China were really manufactured to contain all possible characteristics, as the best communications receivers, you could not be able to talk, as you now have done,right? At least they would be worth more, than most of us were willing, or capable of, to pay for them!

There is no way to compare my Ten-Tec RX340 DSP RECEIVER with my DEGEN DE 1103 Portable. They are really, really from two (2) different worlds! Would it be possible to have both 5 points (*:s)?
I would be a fool to do that!

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> 73, Mike
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> BTW, I own and use both of them (and many other rx)
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2745. Re: just ordered my dream antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-30 02:17:45 UTC
From: Earl H
Topic: 2738 Message: 2745

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Are these supposed to work on all variations of the 1103? I bought mine last year. I will give them a try shortly.

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2746. Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-30 09:59:31 UTC
From: Bruno
Topic: 2700 Message: 2746

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2747. Re: just ordered my dream antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-30 15:42:15 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2738 Message: 2747

You have several issues.

I was the one who mentioned strong AM stations with the 1530 model. You will find out if it is a problem. There is no work around. The antenna is broad band tuned from LF to SW. You can't put an attenuator on it for this. Again the 330 is sold for strong AM BCB locations. People use the 1530 and it is fine, but put up with some issues popping up in the SW band from local strong AM stations. You will find out if the strong MW station is a problem. This is not a radio issue, it's a Wellbrook broad band antenna deal.

Second issue, over driving the radio. Again you will find out, but the 1103 is pretty good and can take a lot of signal. If it is an issue, you can turn the gain down.

Third electrical noise, mount the LOOP away from your house and neighbors by at least 5 meters in the garden. Don't mount it on your roof. The typical mount is on a poll, does not need to be high up. This typically means you will need to bury the FEED LINE and rotor control wires under ground. They can be co-located with out issue. You should join the Wellbrook Antenna groups... there are two of them.

Cheers.

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2748. Re: DE31 antenna question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-30 19:02:54 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 167 Message: 2748

if my reply is late by few years. .. forbid me
1sv149 are sold on ebay and by some \sellers from Hongkong too.
A dual diode is presently being sold "SVC389" by www.farnell.com(element14.com)in sot23 package.another equivalent is NTE618 an US made device(also traceable on ebay.
Hope it serves.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Kenneth Lee" <klee15@...> wrote:
>
> I did a google on "diode 1sv149" and saw this diode is popular in some of
> the Radio Shack radios, maybe you can get it there. Also got a hit on
> something for the Elecraft transceiver kit. But one of the most interesting
> things I found was on a web page for DRM, have a look here:
> http://www.drmrx.org/forum/archive/index.php/t-1210.html
>
> If the link doesn't work, just try the google on "diode 1sv149"
>
> Regards, Ken -N5SWR
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
> ndhr23a
> Sent: Sunday, March 12, 2006 9:54 PM
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [de1103] Re: DE31 antenna question
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>
> As a follow-up, I took the DE31 antenna apart and found that the
> tuning diode is shorted. I also bought a DE33 which is also not
> working as I expected it to, so it's diode may also be shorted.
>
> Does anyone know a good source of these diodes? Apparently Digikey
> doesn't have these 1SV149 dsiodes or anything like them (30pF@1V-
> 540pF@8V).
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> Since the tuning voltage on the antenna control goes up to over 13V
> with alkaline batteries and these diodes have a 15V breakdown
> voltage, doesn't that seem too close for comfort?? Should I have been
> using rechargable batteries with lower voltages?
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> I would send these back to China but I suspect the shipping will be
> more than the cost of the diodes and I don't want to gamble with
> getting another bad one.
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "ndhr23a" <eithne@> wrote:
> >
> > I recently bought a DE1103 and am quite pleased with it's reception
> > with the built-in whip antenna and the short-long wire antenna
> > supplied. However, I can't seem to get much reception with the DE31
> > active antenna I bought with the DE1103. Ive tried the DE31 hung
> from
> > my ceiling, in the attic, and ~12ft up a tree but the results are
> about
> > the same. For reference I'm comparing signal strengths of the 10MHz
> WWV
> > station where I get nearly full signal strength with the whip
> antenna
> > but only about 1/3rd that with the DE31 and there is little
> difference
> > noted using the adjusting knob on the DE31. There is a difference
> if
> > the DE31 is turned on or off so I know it is doing something. Is
> this
> > normal??
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> > Also, the wire antenna supplied with the DE1103 has a 2 conductor
> phono
> > plug but the DE31 has a 3 conductor stereo plug. Could this be part
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> > the problem?
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2749. Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-30 18:47:08 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2700 Message: 2749

While I understand the anxiety of many members, who are owners of the radio,
I would like to view any criticism , due, overdue, undue, with due care, as it helps the company improve the product.
I see many troubles faced by many members perhaps the moderator could list out over a period an d comment whether the firm has been trying to address and improve upon. . later serial numbers, old problems should not t repeat,is an indication.
Why we should feel bad if the org, or Mag has left scope for improvement. we know of sets just purchased and go faulty for no reason.
On the other hand a flattering report would boost up temporarily and leaves scope for prestige and not for improvement.
My father used to tell, reaching a top rank, might be easy, but difficult to equidistantly sustain that ranking.

I sincerely hope i have not hurt any member here, as it was not m intention\, neither the Industry.....

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2750. RE: [de1103] just ordered my dream antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-30 20:26:34 UTC
From: Dominique Kremp
Topic: 2738 Message: 2750

Hi Earl,

I sent following post yesterday Dec. 29th at 1225 but it happens it never came to the group.

Thant's why I send it a second time with the hope it works.

All the best

Dominique

Hi Earl,

You did a superb investment indeed and you won't regret it.

This antenna is very very fine. I have one and although it is more designed to work with tabletop receivers, I must say it works however marvelous with the small DE1103. You'll just have sometimes to use the attenuator (LO/DX) to avoid overloading.

The DEGEN1103 doesn't have any BNC socket, the antenna socket is designed for a 3.5mm jack. So you'll have to modify the connection from the interface unit to the rx.

The best would be to make a sort of "adapter", i.e. a female BNC socket + a piece of wire + the 3.5mm jack. Not difficult to solder, if you can't, ask a friend or a technician !

Good luck and let's know abt you impressions.

All the best

Dominique

Normandy, France

De : de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] De la part de Earl H
Envoyé : mercredi 29 décembre 2010 03:18
À : de1103@yahoogroups.com
Objet : [de1103] just ordered my dream antenna

Christmas present to myself!

I just ordered a Wellbrook ALA-1530S+, which I will use for the time being with my Degen DE-1103. I know, it seems crazy to invest so much antenna into a relatively modest, though well-performing, radio. The reason is that the Wellbrook is, I hope, an investment for a lifetime whereas my 1103 will probably be replaced in the future with beefier, probably tabletop,

receivers.

The other reason to go for the Wellbrook is that I live in a crowded urban area rich in QRN and have very little land (165' x 40'). And I like to DX weak signal AM and shortwave.

Now, onto my questions. Does anyone in this group use their 1103 with a Wellbrook? Was there anything in particular you had to do to get them to work together? Did you have to buy or solder together an adapter for the coax lead in from the antenna? Bear in mind, I am a DXer, not terribly handy with a soldering iron, and a bit rusty on my electronics theory. Any information any of you could offer would be most appreciated!

Sincerely,

Earl Higgins
St. Louis, USA

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2751. Re: just ordered my dream antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-30 20:50:46 UTC
From: Earl H
Topic: 2738 Message: 2751

Actually, Dominique, I believe your post did show up (eventually). I appreciate the input from you Dominique, and everyone else, especially Greg who encouraged me to join the Wellbrook Yahoo newsgroups. I followed his advice and was welcomed with a wealth of information. I decided to e-mail Andy at Wellbrook and ask him his advice regarding use of this antenna with an 1103 with strong mediumwave signals nearby.

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Happy New Year everyone,

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2752. RE: [de1103] Re: just ordered my dream antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2010-12-31 07:11:40 UTC
From: Dominique Kremp
Topic: 2738 Message: 2752

Hi Earl,

Glad to see that my 2nd sending was successful !

I'm not surprised about Andy's prompt super reaction. This guy is very helpful and he always replies within maximum 3 hours.

In the Wild West one would have say of him that "he shoots faster than his own shadow" !!!

I can only recommend this company and its friendly customer service !

His advise concerning the less sensitive ALA1530 version is very wise. I own an ALA1530-L too, it has abt 2 or 3dB less gain in the LW and MW ranges than the "normal" ALA1530 indeed. But from 6MHz up both antennas have the same gain.

Another tip: install it on a rotator if you can. There are small and unexpensive ones for 25$. It's very useful with these antennas to null-out signals under 2,5Mhz !

Don't forget to let us know about your impressions.

Happy New Year to you and to everybody all over the world !

Dominique KREMP

Normandy, France

49:03:31N / 1:26:14W

Loc.: LJ41MK

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Rx:

-PERSEUS

-SPM30 Wandel & Goltermann (cristal mod.)

-IC-R75 + 250Hz ICOM CW filters

-IC-R70 + POCOM PFC-100 + FL-63A CW filter + KIWA audio mods

-IC-R71E + ESKAB-Edvis PLAM unit + 4 kHz X9MD + FL44A + KIWA audio mods + WILLCO ICM 1024 B

-YAESU-FR101 + REFCOM Converter 9 kHz-500 kHz

-KENNWOOD R1000

-GRUNDIG Satellit 700, 650

-DEGEN DE1103

-SONY ICW7600G

-ATS909

-CENTURY 21

Ant:

-DATONG AD 370 (2 x)

-DRESSLER ARA30 + ARA60

-WELLBROOK: 3 x ALA1530s (old version, recent version, "L" version, all rot.), ALA100, ALA100M, AVA100

-PA0RDT's mini-whip

-LW 35 m + mod. FRT 7700

Div.

-DATONG audio filter FL1

-TIMEWAVE DSP-599zx

De : de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] De la part de Earl H
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2753. Tuning knob

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-02 16:28:53 UTC
From: shane
Topic: 2753 Message: 2753

Happy new year to all.
I am considering purchase of a small portable such as the 1103 because it has a tuning knob. I have a Sony ICF-7600gR which is a fine radio but it has no tuning knob. This is a hassle when attempting nightime (in the dark) tuning of AM and MW DX stations.

My question is how is the tuning knob on the 1103? Is it smooth and easy to use (such as in the dark or by a blind individual)? If not can anyone recommend another portable with a nice side tuning knob? Preferably something in current production.
73
Shane

2754. Re: [de1103] Tuning knob

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-02 18:18:25 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2753 Message: 2754

Hi Shane

You will find no problems with the tuning knob, but anyone with a vision impairment may experience problems altering the volume because the tuning knob doubles as the volume control. You have to press and hold down the volume button, then wait for the 'Vol' display to flash before changing the volume.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "shane" <clovisb31@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, January 03, 2011 5:28 AM
Subject: [de1103] Tuning knob

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2755. Re: [de1103] Tuning knob

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-02 19:25:41 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 2753 Message: 2755

On 02/01/2011 18:18, Paul wrote:
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> volume.

The AGC is very effective. I hardly ever change the volume setting on mine.

Leon
--
Leon Heller
G1HSM

2756. Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-02 22:53:10 UTC
From: norsk4488
Topic: 2700 Message: 2756

Although many of you are unhappy about the two star "fair" rating of the DE 1103, t he biggest issue Degen/Eton has is of QUALITY CONTROL, or the lack of it more specifically.

If you look over the various postings on various websites and forums you will notice that the uniformity of the model is not very good, and the Eton versions are really pretty poor, with many defects to be found. I would suggest you head over to the Grundig G3 (a Degen produced product using an almost identical guts to that of the DE 1103 and I would say that 70% of the units are defective or substandard in some way shape or form...

I have an Eton E5 and sure enough it came to me brand new with a defective frequency readout straight out of the box. I was able to fix it myself, luckily.

I think that WRTH was including the aspect of overall QC and uniformity in the model and unfortunately it just isn't very good.

In the past WRTH has always been very nonpartisan and fair with its reviews, and yes they are somewhat brutal and demanding reviewers to be sure but after all isn't that what we want?

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> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "ondacorta01" <damico@> wrote:
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> > > 73, Mike
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> > > BTW, I own and use both of them (and many other rx)
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2757. Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-03 16:56:19 UTC
From: DB
Topic: 2700 Message: 2757

You have pretty well summed up my thoughts on the topic.

My DE1103 is an excellent low priced radio except that about 1/3 the time it generates a buzz that makes weak signal reception impossible. I can eventually make the buzz go away by tapping the back of the radio. It goes away until I bump or sometimes just move the radio. I expect that I will be able to find the problem and fix it when I get around to opening the radio and probing it's guts.

The batteries were unusable as received too. One of them wouldn't take a proper charge so battery life was under an hour. Batteries are easily replaced, but bad batteries don't rate a 5 star rating either.

If I can fix the noise it will be a bargain for the price but it's not my girlfriend so I'm not going to get my nose out of joint if a reviewer points out that it's not perfect.

If the reviewer had reviewed my DE1103, I don't think it would have deserved 2 stars.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "norsk4488" <norsk4488@...> wrote:
>
> Although many of you are unhappy about the two star "fair" rating of the DE 1103, t he biggest issue Degen/Eton has is of QUALITY CONTROL, or the lack of it more specifically.
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> If you look over the various postings on various websites and forums you will notice that the uniformity of the model is not very good, and the Eton versions are really pretty poor, with many defects to be found. I would suggest you head over to the Grundig G3 (a Degen produced product using an almost identical guts to that of the DE 1103 and I would say that 70% of the units are defective or substandard in some way shape or form...
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2758. Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-03 18:31:12 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2700 Message: 2758

you recommend the Grundig G3? Have stock in the company?
Ha ha.

The G3 was rated at 3.4.
The DE1103 was rated at 4.6 (4.5 for kaito 1103 version)

Reading the reviews at eHam it has as much hit and miss
as any radio. Further direct comparison to the 1103 and
other radios left people disappointed.

http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/8447

I think the massive amount of 1103's out there there are
more hits than misses. Mine is rock solid for 4 yrs now
with fairly regular use.

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> I have an Eton E5 and sure enough it came to me brand new with a defective frequency readout straight out of the box. I was able to fix it myself, luckily.
>
> I think that WRTH was including the aspect of overall QC and uniformity in the model and unfortunately it just isn't very good.
>
> In the past WRTH has always been very nonpartisan and fair with its reviews, and yes they are somewhat brutal and demanding reviewers to be sure but after all isn't that what we want?
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Bruno" <bsmarado@> wrote:
> >
> > Hi AMI,
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> > It looks like that something is wrong not only with the DE1103 rating, but with the Tecsuns 5 stars.
> >
> > Bruno
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> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "AMI" <aimounto@> wrote:
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> > > All right, wise people!
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2759. Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-04 15:32:31 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2700 Message: 2759

You have a defective radio. My 4 yr old 1103 has zero buzz.
It is the lowest noise radio I have. If you have to whack
it on the back to make a buzz go away, that's not normal.
I have never heard this complaint by any one before.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "DB" <dbrewste@...> wrote:
>
> You have pretty well summed up my thoughts on the topic.
>
> My DE1103 is an excellent low priced radio except that
> about 1/3 the time it generates a buzz that makes weak
> signal reception impossible. I can eventually make the
> buzz go away by tapping the back of the radio. It goes
> away until I bump or sometimes just move the radio.

My batteries were 100% and still are the best NiMh I have
used in it. They are still going strong after 4 yrs. They
hold a charge and give me over +10 hours of operation. They
are Degan brand 1300 mA hr rated (but last longer than new
2000 mA hour NiMh I have).

> The batteries were unusable as received too. One of them
> wouldn't take a proper charge so battery life was under
> an hour. Batteries are easily replaced, but bad batteries
> don't rate a 5 star rating either.
>
> If I can fix the noise it will be a bargain for the price
> but it's not my girlfriend so I'm not going to get my nose
> out of joint if a reviewer points out that it's not perfect.
>
> If the reviewer had reviewed my DE1103, I don't think it
> would have deserved 2 stars.
>

Your experience and opinion is the exception not the rule.
My experience and opinion is 180 degrees opposite. Sorry
you had so much problem. My KA1103 is awesome. May be you
should buy Kaito KA1103 next time.

Cheers

2760. Re: [de1103] Tuning knob

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-04 17:10:58 UTC
From: Earl Higgins
Topic: 2753 Message: 2760

Shane,

I have very limited mobility in my hands and I find the tuning knob on my (Degen) 1103 to be extremely easy and smooth to operate. I've had it for a year and can highly recommend this radio! The Tecsun PL-310 is another great little radio with a tuning knob you might consider, although the SW section on it isn't as good. They are so cheap on ebay, get both!

Earl Higgins
St. Louis, USA

From: shane <clovisb31@...>
Sent: Sun, January 2, 2011

... how is the tuning knob on the 1103? Is it smooth and easy to use (such as in the dark or by a blind individual)? If not can anyone recommend another portable with a nice side tuning knob? Preferably something in current production.
73
Shane

2761. Re: WRTH2011 and DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-05 15:31:50 UTC
From: ondacorta01
Topic: 2700 Message: 2761

By the way, on WRTH 2011 there are NO ads whatsover from Eton/Grundig ... how strange for a handbook devoted to BCLing... maybe they were tired of having their radios ignored in the so-called "Receiver Guide" ?
73,

Michele

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Bruno" <bsmarado@...> wrote:
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> Bruno
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2762. New Purchase

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-05 17:20:01 UTC
From: IZ0HJF
Topic: 2700 Message: 2762

Hi All,
I checked ebay to buy the DE1103, but it seems that there are two models
with and without DAB, with two different prices,
I can confirm it is correct?
thanks
Cesare

2763. Re: New purchase

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-05 19:29:12 UTC
From: Earl Higgins
Topic: 2763 Message: 2763

I don't believe there are any DAB capable versions of the 1103. Your only decisions are: color, and Degen or Kaito. Do you have a link to the Ebay auction that purports to have a DAB version of the 1103?

Sincerely,

Earl Higgins
St. Louis, USA

2764. Re: [de1103] New Purchase

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-05 19:40:34 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 2700 Message: 2764

At 15:20 05/01/2011, you wrote:
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>Hi All,
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>with and without DAB, with two different prices,
>I can confirm it is correct?
>thanks
>Cesare

Hi Cesare,
I never heard of a DE1103 with DAB. Some sellers may classify it in a
particular category such as DAB/Digital Radio, others may offer you a
discount package (with, for instance, an active antenna) at a different price.

Could you please post a link to that DAB-capable DE1103?

Regards,
Moises

Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

2765. Re: [de1103] New Purchase

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-05 22:06:31 UTC
From: IZ0HJF
Topic: 2700 Message: 2765

Hi Moises,
thanks for the quick response.
The link is
this:http://cgi.ebay.it/Weltempfanger-Degen-DE1103-PLL-FM-LW-MW-SW-SSB-Radio-/190485983146
?pt=Radios_Recorder&hash=item2c59d96faa
but careful research is the only one who writes in the DAB features, you
may not even know what is selling. Well, next week I'll order for my DE1103.

Thank you very much again.

Cesare

Il 05/01/2011 20.40, Mois?s Knochen ha scritto:
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> At 15:20 05/01/2011, you wrote:
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> Moises Knochen
> Montevideo, Uruguay
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2766. Re: [de1103] New Purchase

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-05 22:27:00 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 2700 Message: 2766

On 05/01/2011 22:06, IZ0HJF wrote:
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> Hi Moises,
> thanks for the quick response.
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> this:http://cgi.ebay.it/Weltempfanger-Degen-DE1103-PLL-FM-LW-MW-SW-SSB-Radio-/190485983146?pt=Radios_Recorder&hash=item2c59d96faa
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> may not even know what is selling. Well, next week I'll order for my DE1103.

It's a standard DE1103, it doesn't have DAB.

Leon
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Leon Heller
G1HSM

2767. Re: [de1103] Re: New purchase

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-05 22:56:09 UTC
From: IZ0HJF
Topic: 2763 Message: 2767

Hearl apologize if I have not responded, but my post was positioned incorrectly.
I am convinced that it was a mistake of the seller.

Leon also from the UK confirms this. Now I'm more comfortable buying.

Thanks to all

Cesare iz0hjf

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> Sincerely,
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> Earl Higgins
> St. Louis, USA
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Il 05/01/2011 23.27, Leon Heller ha scritto:
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Leon
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Leon Heller
G1HSM

2768. Re: [de1103] New Purchase

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-06 02:56:23 UTC
From: Partha Sarathi Goswami, Siliguri, West Be
Topic: 2700 Message: 2768

The seller picked a default template of description from ebay, he haven't wrote or prepared his own, and those keywords he just clicked for digital radio, which came with the word DAB, I think the seller doesn't have much Idea about the radio receiver itself.

Don't worry its not DAB enabled...

On Thu, Jan 6, 2011 at 3:36 AM, IZ0HJF <iz0hjf@...> wrote:

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> Hi Moises,
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Thanks & Regards,

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West Bengal
INDIA

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2769. Re: Tuning knob

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-08 16:33:04 UTC
From: shane
Topic: 2753 Message: 2769

Well earl, I took your very good advise and got a KA1103. Played with it last night listening to "flying saucer radio" on AM. Logged all kinds of AM stations coast to coast broadcasting the same program.

The best thing about this radio is the tuning knob. It's funny...my Sony 7600GR has no tuning knob but a volume control that I set and seldom use. The KAITO has a TUNING knob which I use constantly and the volume adjustment that you set and forget. Side by side radio tests indicate no difference in receive so I gave up nothing and gained everything. I'm afraid the Sony has to ride in the back seat now.\73,
Shane

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Earl Higgins <earlthenut@...> wrote:
>
> Shane,
>
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> (Degen) 1103 to be extremely easy and smooth to operate. I've had it for a year
> and can highly recommend this radio! The Tecsun PL-310 is another great little
> radio with a tuning knob you might consider, although the SW section on it isn't
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> From: shane <clovisb31@...>
> Sent: Sun, January 2, 2011
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> (such as in the dark or by a blind individual)? If not can anyone recommend
> another portable with a nice side tuning knob? Preferably something in current
> production.
> 73
> Shane
>

2770. setting the clock

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-10 23:00:31 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 2770 Message: 2770

Can I set the time format in 12 hours rather than the expected 24 hours one?
Thanks in advance.

2771. Antenna SONY AN-LP1

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-15 16:56:04 UTC
From: Dominique Kremp
Topic: 2771 Message: 2771

Hi everybody,

Did anybody in the group ever try to connect the active antenna SONY AN-LP1 to the DE1103 ?

How does it work ? Via the antenna socket or by clipping the output of the active antenna to the whip ?

I just don't what to blow out the 1st stage of the receiver !

Thanks in advance

Dominique KREMP

Normandy, France

dominique.kremp@...

-PERSEUS

-IC-R75 + 250Hz CW filters

-AOR7030 Plus + 300Hz CW filter

2772. Low sensitivity FM

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-15 22:57:03 UTC
From: jalber_s
Topic: 2772 Message: 2772

My radio is not so good in FM band, I´ve compared it with my mini system Aiwa and the car receiver Pioneer, the car with its telescopic antenna and the system with a piece of wire that come with it. Both receivers seem to have equal or better sensitivity in some frequencies than my 1103. I´ve just bought it because the FM band and I´ve seen in foruns, reviews and youtube that DE1103 is an amazing FM receiver, but my radio's quality is the same as a radio that costed me 5x less.
Has someone the same problem with FM sensitivity?
Thanks for any help.

2773. Re: [de1103] Low sensitivity FM

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-16 09:53:55 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2772 Message: 2773

Hi

Have you made sure the DX/Local switch is set to DX? This would cause a sensitivity drop off if it is set to local.

I haven't had a problem with low sensitivity, mine has been quite the opposite, in an environment where there are 14 local FM stations, the overloading is so bad that the FM band is useless except for listening to local stations.

I read similar comments in reviews saying that the FM performance was very good, I came to the conclusion that any receiver review is only as good as how the reviewer found the receiver. For example, if the reviewer had few local or near local FM stations, chances are the FM results would be favourable. If the reviewer lived in a busy metropolitan area where there were many stations, the findings from the review may have been different.

Moral of story is, use reviews as a guide not as gospel.

As an aside, I also have a Digitech AR 1747 known to the rest of the world and a RedSun RP2100, using the telescopic whip, FM performance is fair. Again, overloading is a problem though not as bad as with the 1103. I tried connecting an outdoor three element Yagi to see what would happen, the results were quite amazing, the overload went and it has turned out to be a very good FM DX receiver. Sadly, no such improvement occurred with my 1103.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "jalber_s" <jalber_s@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 16, 2011 11:57 AM
Subject: [de1103] Low sensitivity FM

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Yahoo! Groups Links

2774. Re: Antenna SONY AN-LP1

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-16 11:17:58 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2771 Message: 2774

It works fine.

Jay

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Dominique Kremp" <dominique.kremp@...> wrote:
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> -PERSEUS
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> -IC-R75 + 250Hz CW filters
>
> -AOR7030 Plus + 300Hz CW filter
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2775. Re: Low sensitivity FM

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-16 13:43:45 UTC
From: jalber_s
Topic: 2772 Message: 2775

Yes, I´ve done it, although the switch seems not to affect the FM band in my radio, it gets the same signal in DX or Local. And the switch is good because in the other bands it works perfectly. Thanks.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul" <format3nz@...> wrote:
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> Hi
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> Sent: Sunday, January 16, 2011 11:57 AM
> Subject: [de1103] Low sensitivity FM
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> Has someone the same problem with FM sensitivity?
> Thanks for any help.
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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2776. Re: Antenna SONY AN-LP1

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-16 17:04:05 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2771 Message: 2776

It should work fine. I don't have a Sony AN-LP1 but the radio of course has a 1/8" phono jack for antenna input. I recall reading review of a AN-LP1, ending with a 1/8" phono.

You can use either the clip on the antenna or antenna jack. The antenna jack is better.

No worry of blowing anything out. I use a similar amplified loop, the TG34 (same as DE31MS, KA33...)

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Cheers

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> Thanks in advance

2777. Re: [de1103] Low sensitivity FM

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-17 01:25:17 UTC
From: Aluizio Antonio dos Santos
Topic: 2772 Message: 2777

Unfortunately I have no technical knowledge to help you.
But I say that your radio probably is defective.
've had car radios and have various brands Aiwa micro system, never had any one with better sensitivity than the Degen in fm.

----- Original Message -----
From: jalber_s
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, January 15, 2011 8:57 PM
Subject: [de1103] Low sensitivity FM

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Has someone the same problem with FM sensitivity?
Thanks for any help.

2778. Re: [de1103] Low sensitivity FM

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-17 08:23:13 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2772 Message: 2778

My experience with car radios is that provided it is a quality product (not a cheap brand from a discount store) performance on FM and AM for that matter, has been extremely good.

I have driven around town listening to Australian FM stations via skip and years ago, when KUAM 870 was on the air from Honolulu, Hawaii they put in a good signal while I was mobile around the city.

As far as the type of car radio used, it is definitely a case of you get what you pay for.

Paul
Christchurch New Zealand
----- Original Message -----
From: Aluizio Antonio dos Santos
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, January 17, 2011 2:25 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Low sensitivity FM

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Thanks for any help.

2779. Re: Low sensitivity FM

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-17 10:05:37 UTC
From: jalber_s
Topic: 2772 Message: 2779

I've forgotten to write the conditions of my town for receiving FM signals. I live in a small town surrounded by mountains, there's just one FM station in the town and 3 strong stations in the near cities, I haven't problem with signal saturation, and my system Aiwa is far from good for receiving FM signals without an apropriated antenna. Because of that I think my DE1103 has some problem in FM receiving, since the weak stations are sintonized in the same level as my system Aiwa.

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2780. Re: Antenna SONY AN-LP1

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-17 21:39:54 UTC
From: scamozzi2003
Topic: 2771 Message: 2780

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2781. Interval signals

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-18 05:58:19 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 2781 Message: 2781

s you are tuning around the shortwave bands and the time is just before the hour, you may hear short sections of music, maybe birds singing or even tones....
These are interval signals and they have been in use for over 80 years. As a station "signs on", it is normal for the station to broadcast these intervals to inform listeners that the radio station is to begin a transmission of programing on the next hour.
Interval signals are usually commence about three to five minutes before the hour and are played at the end of broadcasts. Main purpose is to identify the station, let others know the frequency is in use and is used a a tuning aid.
These can be lots of fun as they have a very identifiable, typical and unique sound to each country. Most of the time it is music, usually a snippet of the countries' national anthem or an identifying song. For example Radio Australia has a very recognizable tune "Waltzing Matilda" along with different target languages. On rare occasions you may "catch" the kookaburra bird song!
Here is a link to hear samples of these interval signals listed by country ....

http://www.intervalsignals.net/

73 Rod KB8DNS

2782. RE: [de1103] Re: Antenna SONY AN-LP1

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-18 09:42:52 UTC
From: Dominique Kremp
Topic: 2771 Message: 2782

Thanks to Greg, Jallenhartford2000 and to Scamozzi2003 for their replies and for the links they passed.
The antenna works very fine indeed with the DE1103.
See you

Dominique
NW France

-----Message d'origine-----
De : de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] De la part de scamozzi2003
Envoyé : lundi 17 janvier 2011 22:40
À : de1103@yahoogroups.com
Objet : [de1103] Re: Antenna SONY AN-LP1

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2783. Re: Antenna SONY AN-LP1

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-18 12:30:04 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2771 Message: 2783

I wish Universal would update this 10 year-old description because it is incorrect. The ANLP-1 DOES NOT "Derive power" from ANY radio. Rather, it receives a small SIGNAL voltage to tell it to turn on or off when conencted to the mentioned radios. But this signal voltage is for triggering only...the power to actually operate the antenna is supplied by its own batteries and it will not work without them. This is also why it will work with any radio.

Also, it works very well with the SW77 even though Sony themselves originally said it didn't.

Jay

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2784. Re: setting the clock

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-18 21:48:16 UTC
From: Jason
Topic: 2770 Message: 2784

You can only set the clock in 24 hour format.

--- In de1103@...m, "knyuen88" <knyuen88@...> wrote:
>
> Can I set the time format in 12 hours rather than the expected 24 hours one?
> Thanks in advance.
>

2785. Analogue Tuning Pointer.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-18 23:30:21 UTC
From: radioshedtw
Topic: 2785 Message: 2785

Hi Group.
When I do the trick to get the '1103 to use the whip antenna on MW, ie. select 1711khz and then scan down, the horizontal tuning pointer on the analogue scale disappears. even when the set is tuned well within the MW band as indicated by the digital frequency display. At all other times the pointer works on all bands, including MW, exactly as expected. Apart from this the set works perfectly. Has anyone else noticed this ?

Thanks, Ian.
London UK.

2786. Re: Analogue Tuning Pointer.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-01-20 16:12:46 UTC
From: radiofanuy
Topic: 2785 Message: 2786

Mine behaves the same way

Regards,

Moises

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "radioshedtw" <radioshedtw@...> wrote:
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> Thanks, Ian.
> London UK.
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2787. Zensus: Ihre Anfrage: [de1103] Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-11 21:24:58 UTC
From: DE_13
Topic: 1545 Message: 2787

Hildegard, bitte sagen Sie jetzt nichts.

Von: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] Im Auftrag von kb8dns
Gesendet: Mittwoch, 9. Juni 2010 01:29
An: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Betreff: [de1103] Re: Odd frequencies silent, even frequencies normal

Excellent thread!

Gives an idea that these radios are passed rather quickly through the assembly line and a simple "goof" can be missed! Eton may have the same problems...

73 Rod KB8DNS

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com <mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com> , "stefy506" <stefy506@...> wrote:
>
> MADE RESOLVED PROBLEM REPAIR! Friend thanks for the precious
> information which you have sent me,thanks to everybody you and
> especially to David Smith !!!The defect was coming from the condenser
> C616 (10 pf)what was not present! he was lacking from the factory!!!
> Have pratically inserted a 10 pf to place of the missing condenser,
> but what must be as present as the wiring diagram shows!
> At this point think of what many others Degen 1103 turns out the same
>SNIP<
> > > > Hi Wind NV,
> > > >
> > > > I think you are exactly right about the 2nd oscillator half steps,
> > > > good catch. It looks like the diode D601 adds C616 (10p) in
> parallel
> > > > with C617 (102p) to cause the 1kHz shift. I would guess that
> C616 is
> > > > short or wrong value. If the oscillator is strongly shifted by a
> > > > wrong (large) value then 1st IF filters and 2nd IF filters wouldn't
> > > > line up and radio would be effectively dead.
> > > >
> > > > Still, a hard fix for the typical user so back to the seller it
> > goes...
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> > > > David Smith
> > > >
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2788. Interval signals from the 1970s

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-12 09:48:37 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 2788 Message: 2788

Here is a fine collection of interval signals....

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KrDB-85LrRg

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_9wN5bLEc5E

I remember some of these!

73 Rod KB8DNS

2789. DE1103 RADIO FOLDING BACK STAND

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-12 14:58:07 UTC
From: chokelive
Topic: 2789 Message: 2789

Hi,

I have order the new "DE1103 RADIO FOLDING BACK STAND" from ebay (http://cgi.ebay.com.sg/FOLDING-BACK-STAND-DE1103-DIGITAL-PLL-DEGEN-RADIO-/130395341562) for replacement.

The problem is I don't know how to install them correctly. did any one have chance to replace the new "DE1103 RADIO FOLDING BACK STAND"?

Thanks

2790. Sv: [de1103] Interval signals from the 1970s

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-12 15:52:51 UTC
From: Johan Lundström
Topic: 2790 Message: 2790

Wounderful to here these interval signals again!!

I Started DX in 1973.

Best 73´s de Johan Lundström

----Ursprungligt meddelande----
Från: kb8dns@...
Datum: 2011-02-12 10:48
Till: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Ärende: [de1103] Interval signals from the 1970s

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2792. RE: [de1103] DE1103 RADIO FOLDING BACK STAND

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-13 09:14:13 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2789 Message: 2792

Hi Choke,

I sent an email and some pictures to your personal email address just now, please refer to the details and hope is helpful for you...^_^

- Tao Qu

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of chokelive
Sent: Saturday, February 12, 2011 10:58 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] DE1103 RADIO FOLDING BACK STAND

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2793. RE: [de1103] DE1103 RADIO FOLDING BACK STAND

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-13 13:21:09 UTC
From: john
Topic: 2789 Message: 2793

Can you post results please and perhaps post instructions to the web site?

Thanks
John K5MO

At 04:14 AM 2/13/2011, you wrote:

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>- Tao Qu
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2794. Re: Interval signals from the 1970s

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-13 14:59:55 UTC
From: aircheckclover
Topic: 2788 Message: 2794

Nice find Rod. Brought back some memories for sure. I listened alot during the 60's. Anyone remember RSA - Radio South Africa & WRNY - Radio New York Worldwide. I don't think they were on the the YouTube offering.

Mark

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2795. Re: [de1103] DE1103 RADIO FOLDING BACK STAND

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-13 15:57:34 UTC
From: chokeumnuay khowsakool
Topic: 2789 Message: 2795

Hi Tao Qu,
Thanks very much for the instruction and then I can install the folding back
by follow your instruction ^^

appreciate if you can help share the instruction to our group (maybe show
the photos as your attached)

Thanks & Regards,
Choke

On Sun, Feb 13, 2011 at 8:21 PM, john <johnmb@....com> wrote:

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> Thanks
> John K5MO
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2796. RE: [de1103] DE1103 RADIO FOLDING BACK STAND

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-13 17:46:18 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2789 Message: 2796

Hi Choke,

You are welcome, I am so happy you fixed this 'issue' successfully.

Due to the language reason, so I think maybe it is more better you reorganize my words and share it for others can understand it easily (you can use my pictures, or I can take more clear pictures for you when I back from my wedding travel)...^_^

- Tao Qu

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of chokeumnuay khowsakool
Sent: Sunday, February 13, 2011 11:58 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] DE1103 RADIO FOLDING BACK STAND

Hi Tao Qu,
Thanks very much for the instruction and then I can install the folding back by follow your instruction ^^

appreciate if you can help share the instruction to our group (maybe show the photos as your attached)

Thanks & Regards,
Choke

On Sun, Feb 13, 2011 at 8:21 PM, john <johnmb@...> wrote:

Can you post results please and perhaps post instructions to the web site?

Thanks
John K5MO

At 04:14 AM 2/13/2011, you wrote:

>Hi Choke,
>
>I sent an email and some pictures to your personal email address just now,
>please refer to the details and hope is helpful for you...^_^
>
>- Tao Qu
>
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>----------
>From: de1103@yahoogroups.com <mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com>

[mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com <mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com>] On Behalf
Of
>chokelive
>Sent: Saturday, February 12, 2011 10:58 PM
>To: de1103@yahoogroups.com <mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: [de1103] DE1103 RADIO FOLDING BACK STAND
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>Hi,
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>I have order the new "DE1103 RADIO FOLDING BACK STAND" from ebay

>(<http://cgi.ebay.com.sg/FOLDING-BACK-STAND-DE1103-DIGITAL-PLL-DEGEN-RADIO-
/130395341562>http://cgi.ebay.com.sg/FOLDING-BACK-STAND-DE1103-DIGITAL-PLL-D
EGEN-RADIO-/130395341562)

>for replacement.
>
>The problem is I don't know how to install them correctly. did any one
>have chance to replace the new "DE1103 RADIO FOLDING BACK STAND"?
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>Thanks
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2797. Re: [de1103] Re: Interval signals from the 1970s

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-13 18:34:09 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2788 Message: 2797

RSA was, first track second side, have yet to listen to the rest. If you want to convert the MP4 file from YouTube to MP3, you can use Any Video Converter Free http://www.any-video-converter.com/products/for_video_free/

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: "aircheckclover" <mdh@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, February 14, 2011 3:59 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Interval signals from the 1970s

> Nice find Rod. Brought back some memories for sure. I listened alot
> during the 60's. Anyone remember RSA - Radio South Africa & WRNY -
> Radio New York Worldwide. I don't think they were on the the YouTube
> offering.
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> Mark
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "poikaa" <kb8dns@...> wrote:
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>> Here is a fine collection of interval signals....
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>> http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KrDB-85LrRg
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>> http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_9wN5bLEc5E
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>> I remember some of these!
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>> 73 Rod KB8DNS
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2798. Re: Interval signals from the 1970s

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-14 13:32:39 UTC
From: aircheckl over
Topic: 2788 Message: 2798

Great Paul, I'll go back and listen. Thanks for the converter tip.
-Mark
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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul" <format3nz@...> wrote:
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> RSA was, first track second side, have yet to listen to the rest. If you
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> To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
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2799. new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-14 17:15:44 UTC
From: umassys
Topic: 2799 Message: 2799

greetings from the uk [:)]

i'm on the verge on buying a 1103 from ebay. my only concern is the power supply provided in the package. the seller lists in their advert that the radio requires power from an adapter dc as '8v 300ma' . is this correct? can a uk user check to see if their 1103 says 8v or 6v on the side?

if it is indeed 8v, then my question to users here in the uk. what power adapter do you use to recharge the batteries? any supply i purchase will only be used to recharge the batts so i am not bothered about power adapters that introduce noise [:)]

i have seen on here a user who has said that their unit arrived with the 2 pin usa adapter and they simply used a uk shaver plug. is this safe and possible?

many thanks
stuart

2800. Re: [de1103] new user from the uk looking for help...from Belgium!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-14 18:40:11 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 2799 Message: 2800

Stuart,

I live in Belgium and my DE1103 came from China via eBay, seller SUNSLF.

It indicates on the radio and on the supplied adaptor 8V, 300Ma. I use this adaptor to charge the supplied batteries.

Changing to a UK plug is no big deal, as long as you have 220V. Why don't you order a set with supplied power adaptor?

Thanks,
Bruno

Best regards, Meilleures salutations, Mit freundlichen Grussen,
Bruno Geuth

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--- On Mon, 2/14/11, umassys <alphaflix@googlemail.com> wrote:

From: umassys <alphaflix@...>
Subject: [de1103] new user from the uk looking for help
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, February 14, 2011, 6:15 PM

greetings from the uk

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many thanks
stuart

2801. Re: [de1103] new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-14 19:33:46 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2799 Message: 2801

HI

Best idea is to use an external charger, mine was an American version bought from Amazon as the KA1103. I've found the batteries last ages between charges. The variable of course is how long you use the radio in each session.

Paul, NZ
----- Original Message -----
From: umassys
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2011 6:15 AM
Subject: [de1103] new user from the uk looking for help

greetings from the uk

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i have seen on here a user who has said that their unit arrived with the 2 pin usa adapter and they simply used a uk shaver plug. is this safe and possible?

many thanks
stuart

2802. Re: [de1103] new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-14 19:44:49 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 2799 Message: 2802

On 14/02/2011 17:15, umassys wrote:
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> greetings from the uk :)
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> i'm on the verge on buying a 1103 from ebay. my only concern is the
> power supply provided in the package. the seller lists in their advert
> that the radio requires power from an adapter dc as '8v 300ma' . is this
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> if it is indeed 8v, then my question to users here in the uk. what power
> adapter do you use to recharge the batteries? any supply i purchase will
> only be used to recharge the batts so i am not bothered about power
> adapters that introduce noise :)
>
> i have seen on here a user who has said that their unit arrived with the
> 2 pin usa adapter and they simply used a uk shaver plug. is this safe
> and possible?

I've forgotten what mine came with, but it created a lot of noise when
powering the radio and charging the batteries took a long time. I use a
separate charger for the batteries, it's a lot faster.

Leon
--
Leon Heller
G1HSM

2803. Re: new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-14 19:57:55 UTC
From: umassys
Topic: 2799 Message: 2803

thanks for the replies so far.

ideally i am looking to keep the batteries in the unit all the time, rather than do as leon describes. so any power adapter help (specific to the uk market) is still very welcome!

> I've forgotten what mine came with, but it created a lot of noise when
> powering the radio and charging the batteries took a long time. I use a
> separate charger for the batteries, it's a lot faster.
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> Leon
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> Leon Heller
> G1HSM
>

2804. Re: new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-14 23:08:41 UTC
From: beaver8899
Topic: 2799 Message: 2804

You can use the same adapter used for Eton G5/E5 or G3. It is available in UK from http://www.moonraker.eu/Eton-Radio-Accessories

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "umassys" <alphaflix@...> wrote:
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> greetings from the uk [:)]
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> i'm on the verge on buying a 1103 from ebay. my only concern is the
> power supply provided in the package. the seller lists in their advert
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> 2 pin usa adapter and they simply used a uk shaver plug. is this safe
> and possible?
>
> many thanks
> stuart
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2805. Re: new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-15 08:51:00 UTC
From: umassys
Topic: 2799 Message: 2805

thanks for the info [:)]

well after searching the www last night, i'm a little more confused! the info in this pdf (on power supply page) actually shows the voltage as '6v' on the side of the radio!

http://www.radioamateur.eu/schemi/rx/DEGEN_DE1103_user.pdf

maybe some units ship with '6v' and some with '8v'. who knows! i'll see what is what when the unit actually arrives.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "beaver8899" <beaver8899@...> wrote:
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> You can use the same adapter used for Eton G5/E5 or G3. It is available in UK from http://www.moonraker.eu/Eton-Radio-Accessories
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2806. Re: [de1103] Re: new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-15 09:28:43 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 2799 Message: 2806

Hi. My G5 and Ka1103 both say 6v on the radio, but both came with identical 8v wall wort power supplies. Early units came with a power supply with a more rounded look, which caused noise in the radio. I have the newer more squar looking supplies that do not cause noise in the radio. Both of my radios charge the batteries (Kodak 2100Mah pre-charged NiMH) flawlessly. Both radios will run 24-28 hours on a charged set of batteries. Your mileage may vary.

TTYL

On 02/15/2011 02:51 AM, umassys wrote:
> thanks for the info [:)]
>
> well after searching the www last night, i'm a little more confused! the
> info in this pdf (on power supply page) actually shows the voltage as
> '6v' on the side of the radio!
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> http://www.radioamateur.eu/schemi/rx/DEGEN_DE1103_user.pdf
>
> maybe some units ship with '6v' and some with '8v'. who knows! i'll see
> what is what when the unit actually arrives.

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CUL8R

KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell
A Satisfied Aptosid Linux user! To get Aptosid go to: www.aptosid.com
They say that if you play a Microsoft CD backwards, you hear satanic voices. That's nothing, because if you play it forwards, it installs Windows!

2807. Re: new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-15 09:57:33 UTC
From: umassys
Topic: 2799 Message: 2807

so do you charge your 6v units with the included 8v power adapters?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Martin <kb0hae@...> wrote:
>
> Hi. My G5 and Ka1103 both say 6v on the radio, but both came with
> identical 8v wall wort power supplies. Early units came with a power
> supply with a more rounded look, which caused noise in the radio. I
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> the radio. Both of my radios charge the batteries (Kodak 2100Mah
> pre-charged NiMH) flawlessly. Both radios will run 24-28 hours on a
> charged set of batteries. Your mileage may vary.
>
> TTYL

2808. Re: [de1103] Re: new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-15 10:45:19 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2799 Message: 2808

The real request for the DE1103 radio is +8V/DC with center positive, this is confirmed.

For the confusion on the external power adapter, the most simple way is see it is the 'print error', in fact, for the 6V marked power adapter (original coming from the manufacturer), if you test the output voltage, you will find it is +8V on meter.

- Tao Qu

--- On Tue, 2/15/11, umassys <alphaflix@...> wrote:

From: umassys <alphaflix@googlemail.com>
Subject: [de1103] Re: new user from the uk looking for help
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Tuesday, February 15, 2011, 5:57 PM

so do you charge your 6v units with the included 8v power adapters?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Martin <kb0hae@...> wrote:

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> the radio. Both of my radios charge the batteries (Kodak 2100Mah

> pre-charged NiMH) flawlessly. Both radios will run 24-28 hours on a

> charged set of batteries. Your mileage may vary.

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> TTYL

2809. Re: [de1103] Re: new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-15 11:31:58 UTC
From: john
Topic: 2799 Message: 2809

I'll have to see if I can find a 6V supply , charge the batteries and see
what happens.

John K5MO

At 03:51 AM 2/15/2011, you wrote:

>thanks for the info
>
>well after searching the www last night, i'm a little more confused! the
>info in this pdf (on power supply page) actually shows the voltage as '6v'
>on the side of the radio!
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2810. Re: new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-15 13:43:49 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2799 Message: 2810

i feel that the adopters concerned are just unregulated and thus might show 8V on no load.
As we plug in and draw current, the voltage might come down.
the charger circuitry inside DE1103 regulates the charge by constant current mode with voltage upper limit, perhaps.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "umassys" <alphaflix@...> wrote:
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> so do you charge your 6v units with the included 8v power adapters?
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2811. Re: new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-15 14:06:50 UTC
From: umassys
Topic: 2799 Message: 2811

i have one of these

http://www.wsplc.com/acatalog/SMP-1000A_Switch_Mode_Power_Adaptor.html

the reason i posted the question in the first place is as you can see from the adapter above, there is no '8v' listed. i spoke with waters & stanton and they seemed to think that setting it to '9v' would be fine. they also said '6v' may be fine!

so what do users here think of this adapter? is it suitable for my purpose?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mvs" <mvs_sarma@...> wrote:
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> i feel that the adopters concerned are just unregulated and thus might show 8V on no load. As we plug in and draw current, the voltage might come down.
> the charger circuitry inside DE1103 regulates the charge by constant current mode with voltage upper limit, perhaps.

2812. Re: new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-15 14:36:49 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2799 Message: 2812

should work, unless the internal; design has a low voltage sense, on input dc socket, and shuts down.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, john <johnmb@...> wrote:
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> I'll have to see if I can find a 6V supply , charge the batteries and see
> what happens.
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> John K5MO
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> At 03:51 AM 2/15/2011, you wrote:
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2813. Re: [de1103] Re: new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-15 20:56:03 UTC
From: jcboisserie
Topic: 2799 Message: 2813

Hi,

My genuine DE1103 adapter is labelled as 6V 300mA

Jean-Chris
> so do you charge your 6v units with the included 8v power adapters?
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Martin<kb0hae@...> wrote:
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>> charged set of batteries. Your mileage may vary.
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>> TTYL
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2814. Re: [de1103] Re: new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-15 20:58:58 UTC
From: jcboisserie
Topic: 2799 Message: 2814

Hi,

Don't you find 8V, because you test it without power consumer at its end ?

Jean-Chris

Le 15/02/2011 11:45, Tao Qu a écrit :
> The real request for the DE1103 radio is +8V/DC with center positive, this is confirmed.
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> For the confusion on the external power adapter, the most simple way is see it is the 'print error', in fact, for the 6V marked power adapter (original coming from the manufacturer), if you test the output voltage, you will find it is +8V on meter.
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> --- On Tue, 2/15/11, umassys<alphaflix@...> wrote:
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> From: umassys<alphaflix@...>
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2815. Re: new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-15 21:04:07 UTC
From: umassys
Topic: 2799 Message: 2815

and what about the radio itself. is it labelled 8v jean-chris?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, jcboisserie <jcboisserie19@...> wrote:
>
> Hi,
>
> My genuine DE1103 adapter is labelled as 6V 300mA
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>
> Jean-Chris

2816. Re: [de1103] Re: new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-15 21:04:33 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 2799 Message: 2816

Hi. Yes I charge my batteries with the included 8v power adapters. It has been speculated here that the higher voltage is needed to charge the batteries.

TTYL
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On 02/15/2011 03:57 AM, umassys wrote:
> so do you charge your 6v units with the included 8v power adapters?
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Martin<kb0hae@...> wrote:
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CUL8R

KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell
A Satisfied Aptosid Linux user! To get Aptosid go to: www.aptosid.com
They say that if you play a Microsoft CD backwards, you hear satanic voices. That's nothing, because if you play it forwards, it installs Windows!

2817. Re: DE1103 RADIO FOLDING BACK STAND

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-15 21:10:08 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 2789 Message: 2817

The stand on my G5 broke a while back, but I repaired it by drilling into it lengthwise with a mini drill where the pin used to be, then inserting a length of heavy steel music wire into it, and cut it short enoough to act as a replacement pin. It works great, and won't be breaking off anytime soon.

I hope my description is clear enough, given the language barrier.

Nelson

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tao Qu" <tquchina@...> wrote:
>
> Hi Choke,
>
> You are welcome, I am so happy you fixed this 'issue' successfully.
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> Due to the language reason, so I think maybe it is more better you
> reorganize my words and share it for others can understand it easily (you
> can use my pictures, or I can take more clear pictures for you when I back
> from my wedding travel)...^_^
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> - Tao Qu
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> _____
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> From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
> chokeumnuay khowsakool
> Sent: Sunday, February 13, 2011 11:58 PM
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2818. Re: [de1103] Re: new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-15 21:41:08 UTC
From: jcboisserie
Topic: 2799 Message: 2818

Yes Radio is marked 6V, this is not a surprise as it is also powered from 4AA Cells or batteries.
On the other hand, a 6V wall wort could be not filtered and show 8,48V (6*sqrt(2)) I believe.

And finally, I must say that I would be confident in Tao Qu, he is a perfect gentleman, I've bought 4 units from him through the years, and all work perfectly. If he says that a 8V adapter will do the job, it's probably the case.

Jean-Chris

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>> My genuine DE1103 adapter is labelled as 6V 300mA
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>> Jean-Chris
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2819. Re: DE1103 RADIO FOLDING BACK STAND

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-16 17:10:23 UTC
From: dovalep
Topic: 2789 Message: 2819

To put new one you can use tooth stick. Place him in the middle gently band over the new stand and pull stick out in the end.
Dov 4Z5NU.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nelson" <greenbrier614@...> wrote:
>
> The stand on my G5 broke a while back, but I repaired it by drilling into it lengthwise with a mini drill where the pin used to be, then inserting a length of heavy steel music wire into it, and cut it short enoough to act as a replacement pin. It works great, and won't be breaking off anytime soon.
>
> I hope my description is clear enough, given the language barrier.
>
> Nelson
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Tao Qu" <tquchina@> wrote:
> >
> > Hi Choke,
> >
> > You are welcome, I am so happy you fixed this 'issue' successfully.
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> > Due to the language reason, so I think maybe it is more better you
> > reorganize my words and share it for others can understand it easily (you
> > can use my pictures, or I can take more clear pictures for you when I back
> > from my wedding travel)...^_^
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2820. Re: new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-16 20:13:10 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 2799 Message: 2820

I don't recommend a switching power supply -- which this undoubtedly is -- for any radio, because they generate so much hash you probably won't be able to hear a thing.

You need to find a 7-8v supply with a transformer.

Btw, I discovered when using a large 6v gel cell battery as a power source that a circuit inside the radio would switch over to the internal batteries when the voltage dropped to 6v or below, which connected both sets of batteries and drained the AA's very quickly. I would stay away from any supply under 7v.

Nelson

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "umassys" <alphaflix@...> wrote:
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> i have one of these
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> http://www.wsplc.com/acatalog/SMP-1000A_Switch_Mode_Power_Adaptor.html
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> the reason i posted the question in the first place is as you can see from the adapter above, there is no '8v' listed. i spoke with waters & stanton and they seemed to think that setting it to '9v' would be fine. they also said '6v' may be fine!
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> > the charger circuitry inside DE1103 regulates the charge by constant current mode with voltage upper limit, perhaps.
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2821. Re: new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-16 20:19:51 UTC
From: umassys
Topic: 2799 Message: 2821

thanks for the reply nelson. i'm not worried about noise from a switching unit as i only want to use the power adapter for one purpose - charging the batteries.

so with that in mind will this adapter be ok?

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2822. Re: [de1103] Re: new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-17 02:34:15 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2799 Message: 2822

Hi Jean-Chris,

Thank you.

Hi all,

I would like to summary some information about the voltage and external power adapter used on DE1103 here for your reference.

The mark on the DE1103 radio is +6V/DC, but this is the mark only, the fact is it is +8V/DC drived.

For the 120V/AC external power adapter, the mark on it is +8V/DC.

For the 220V/AC external power adapter, the mark on it is +6V/DC.

So final summary: the DE1103 radio is drived by +8V/DC, for end user, please use the manufacturer configured external power adpater coming in the package.

-Tao Qu

--- On Wed, 2/16/11, jcboisserie <jcboisserie19@...> wrote:

From: jcboisserie <jcboisserie19@...>
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: new user from the uk looking for help
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Wednesday, February 16, 2011, 5:41 AM

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2823. Re: [de1103] Re: new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-17 02:36:03 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2799 Message: 2823

I fully agree Nelson's comments...^_^

--- On Thu, 2/17/11, Nelson <greenbrier614@...> wrote:

From: Nelson <greenbrier614@...>
Subject: [de1103] Re: new user from the uk looking for help
To: de1103@...m
Date: Thursday, February 17, 2011, 4:13 AM

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2824. Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-17 11:52:13 UTC
From: dac324
Topic: 2824 Message: 2824

Hello all,

as some of you might have already heard, the UK government wants to cut the BBC World Service.

Please sign the petition to protest against this step at
http://www.petitionbuzz.com/petitions/savews

Thank you and kind regards,
DAC324

2825. 6v transformer verse 8v switching wall wort...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-17 14:41:14 UTC
From: aircheckclover
Topic: 2799 Message: 2825

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It is my understanding that switching power supplies - the newer type of wall wort internal construction - should be rated a little higher than the battery demand due to the nature of the switching supply under load. Conversely, it is my understanding that the old school transformer/rectifier/filter wall wort should be rated at the battery voltage.

Is this correct?

-Mark

2826. The origins of the DE1103?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-18 03:22:36 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 2826 Message: 2826

I recently had the privilege of repairing a SONY ICF-7700. It need a few capacitors changed out as they were shorted and leaking, out of spec if you wish.
Since I own a Degen DE-1103 this SONY made my day as the repair came out very well! The radio it self is something else....
The 7700 resembles the DE-1103 both in size and function along with the odd combination digital display and digi-analog scale. That's where it ends, as the SONY has less than full coverage and no SSB or BFO. Internally the radio is very different.
Looking at the SONY next to the DE-1103 I am thinking the design of the 1103 came from the SONY. The 7700 was produced for a short while in the mid eighties, was popular as it is a good sounding radio.
Here is a link to a video I made for You Tube....

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=roVLwuYMzzY

73 Rod KB8DNS

2827. Re: [de1103] The origins of the DE1103?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-18 03:34:52 UTC
From: Skywarn
Topic: 2826 Message: 2827

In short Sony Sucks!

I had a sony vcr and it lasted only a year at best..teh top of the line.
I will never buy a sony again!

On 2/17/2011 10:22:36 PM, poikaa (kb8dns@...) wrote:
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2828. Re: 6v transformer verse 8v switching wall wort...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-18 04:37:27 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2799 Message: 2828

As far a radio power supplies are concerned, it is preferable to have linear power supplies that use a transformer and have a regulator after conversion to DC. Even though we feel that we would use it for charging alone, we also use it for direct listening.
SMPS would create harmonic noise that definitely disturbs radio reception , except perhaps on FM band.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "aircheckclover" <mdh@...> wrote:
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> Is this correct?
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> -Mark
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2829. Re: [de1103] Sony sucks not!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-18 13:30:54 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 2826 Message: 2829

Sony sucks not!

My beloved SW77 is now in repair but for my every evening China listening (in Belgium!) I am using a Sony Earth Orbiter CRF 5090 from 1972, and it still works perfectly...

Best regards, Meilleures salutations, Mit freundlichen Grussen,
Bruno Geuth

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This message was sent from my iPad

--- On Fri, 2/18/11, Skywarn <wxwatch@...> wrote:

From: Skywarn <wxwatch@bellsouth.net>
Subject: Re: [de1103] The origins of the DE1103?
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, February 18, 2011, 4:34 AM

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2830. Re: Sony sucks not!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-18 14:30:56 UTC
From: livingj2
Topic: 2826 Message: 2830

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, bruno geuth <geuth_consulting@...> wrote:
>
> Sony sucks not!
> Â
> My beloved SW77 is now in repair but for my every evening China listening (in Belgium!) I am using a Sony Earth Orbiter CRF 5090 from 1972, and it still works perfectly...
>

Sorry to disagree with you.

I've used a wide variety of Sony equipment, both consumer and professional, from about 1970 onward.

I've come to the view that the consumer equipment is no longer value for money. Sony are selling on their reputation; their equipment is now expensive and overrated. This wasn't always so - I have the service handbook of an early Sony colour TV in front of me, and the circuitry is full of elegant and ingenious design features. I'm not surprised that your old CRF5090 is still working - that was the period when Sony were producing some very good consumer electronics indeed.

Sony professional equipment is still respected. It's just the consumer stuff that's become rather unremarkable and overpriced.

John
IEng MIET

2831. Re: [de1103] Re: Sony sucks not!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-18 15:05:18 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 2826 Message: 2831

The fate with the famous ultralight SRF 59 is well known. Launched around 5 years ago, became the first receiver used to DX on MW transpacific stations (Gary DeBock and others started the Ultralight DXing fad with this receiver). Sony used a propietary IC for nice sensitivity, selectivity and AGC.

Later it was discovered that the variable capacitor became progresively defective, introducing scratchy tuning and ruining all reception. This problem affects other Sony mini receivers as the one my wife was at home, don't remember the model now. The reason: in contrast with the SRF 39 model Sony made it a cheaper product using a low quality variable capacitor for the production of the set.

Horacio A. Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

2832. Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-18 16:29:22 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2824 Message: 2832

BBC cut all SW radio targeting USA years ago. You can recieve the scraps of BBC signals from Africa, South America. I morned the loss of BBC years ago. I've moved on. Besides we kicked the Brits out over 230 yrs ago. (Ha ha)

BBC SW radio has been LONG GONE from North America, replaced with internet, cable TV and satellite radio service. I can't argue with that. Intetnet streaming audio or pod-cast is far better than SW radio for all intents and purposes. As a radio hobbyist it sucks.

In the USA you can get BBC on PBS TV (over the air). They carry BBC news and a few re-run Brit shows. On premium or digital cable TV you can get BBC America. I watch Top Gear. Great show. Other than that all the SW targeting USA was cut years ago.

It's inevitable that BBC would be divested. It's a Gov run inefficient bloated institution. UK should have got rid of their Gov run "state radio" monopoly 50 yrs ago. It is just down right un-American! :)

There is talk of not giving Federal funds to PBS and NPR in the USA to cut cost. They are mostly viewer funded by fund drives.

The worlds ECON is getting a reality check ;the fat has to be cutout. Time to get lean and mean.

Cheers.

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2833. Re: [de1103] Re: Sony sucks not!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-18 22:39:58 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 2826 Message: 2833

Well, not all Sonys were born alike... it depends
where where they manufactured.

I am the proud owner of a Sony ICF-7600DS
receiver, Made in Japan, one of the first Sony
all-band portables with PLL and digital readout.
I purchased it by 1990 or so, and stills works
fine in spite of some mistreatment. On the other
hand you have Chinese Sonys such as most of the
current receivers (for instance the SRF-59
mentioned by Horacio), and the difference in quality is obvious.

Chinese industry does suck! I purchased a DE-1103
in 2007 and now is dead. The other one I
purchased in 2006 is beginning to make the same
kind of noises the first one did before
dying. "What do you expect for 50 bucks?" they
will say. And yes, that is what we have...
unfortunately is from difficult to impossible to
find a world-band portable NOT coming from China.
So we end up buying them anyhow. That is the way this industry works...

73,
Moises

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Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

2834. Re: 6v transformer verse 8v switching wall wort...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-18 22:42:09 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 2799 Message: 2834

The original transformer wall wart is marked 6v, but puts out just under 8v without any load, which is typical of low current unregulated power supplies like these. The factory supply needs a little extra oomph for battery charging.

Some switching supplies may actually have some regulation built into them, but most transformer wall warts don't. I was lucky enough to find a very nice 1 amp, 5v regulated transformer wall wart from an electronics surplus place that I use for an old Sony multi-band radio, and it's much better than the original low current supply. No more dimming lights when I turn up the volume.

Nelson

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2835. Re: [de1103] Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-18 22:44:55 UTC
From: Paul M
Topic: 2824 Message: 2835

An inaccurate statement.

The BBC is mainly Government funded, NOT Government run, which is why whichever party is in power in the UK they criticise the BBC (e.g. the resignations following the Hutton Report). It also receives funds from book, DVD sales, and advertising (it is prohibited from advertising within the UK).

UK radio/TV is funded by UK license fees, but the World Service is funded by the Foreign Office, but the proposal is to transfer funding from UK license fee payers.

Located at the moment near the Middle-East, I am aware that the BBC World Service in Arabic & English is getting a LOT of listening to in the past few weeks whilst satellite & internet are being closed or heavily censored by local governments.

Regarding PBS, as the Government only provides 1% of their funding it won't make a huge difference to either the Government of the service if funding is withdrawn

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--- On Fri, 18/2/11, Greg <gmcjetpilot@...> wrote:

> From: Greg <gmcjetpilot@...>
> Subject: [de1103] Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Friday, 18 February, 2011, 19:29

>
> It's inevitable that BBC would be divested. It's a
> Gov run inefficient bloated institution. UK should
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> 50 yrs ago. It is just down right un-American! :)
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> There is talk of not giving Federal funds to PBS
> and NPR in the USA to cut cost. They are mostly
> viewer funded by fund drives.
>

2836. Fwd: Re: [de1103] Re: Sony sucks not!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-18 22:47:30 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 2836 Message: 2836

I apologize for some incoherence in my previous message, that happens after several Martinis...

>Well, not all Sonys were born alike... it depends where where they
>manufactured.

Should say: Well, not all Sonys were born alike... it depends on where they were manufactured.

Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

2837. Re: [de1103] Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-18 23:29:49 UTC
From: john
Topic: 2824 Message: 2837

Agreed!

So, let's do it.

John K5MO

>Regarding PBS, as the Government only provides 1% of their funding it
>won't make a huge difference to either the Government of the service if
>funding is withdrawn

2838. Re: [de1103] Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-19 01:32:38 UTC
From: Nageswara Rao Routhu
Topic: 2824 Message: 2838

Yeah,

Another spreading of lies by RW'er. Enough! no more lies, at least don't target what is outside of US.

On Fri, Feb 18, 2011 at 8:29 AM, Greg <gmcjetpilot@...> wrote:

>
>
> BBC cut all SW radio targeting USA years ago. You
> can recieve the scraps of BBC signals from Africa,
> South America. I morned the loss of BBC years ago.
> I've moved on. Besides we kicked the Brits out over
> 230 yrs ago. (Ha ha)
>
> BBC SW radio has been LONG GONE from North America,
> replaced with internet, cable TV and satellite radio
> service. I can't argue with that. Intetnet streaming
> audio or pod-cast is far better than SW radio for all
> intents and purposes. As a radio hobbyist it sucks.
>
> In the USA you can get BBC on PBS TV (over the air).
> They carry BBC news and a few re-run Brit shows. On
> premium or digital cable TV you can get BBC America.
> I watch Top Gear. Great show. Other than that all
> the SW targeting USA was cut years ago.
>
> It's inevitable that BBC would be divested. It's a
> Gov run inefficient bloated institution. UK should
> have got rid of their Gov run "state radio" monopoly
> 50 yrs ago. It is just down right un-American! :)
>
> There is talk of not giving Federal funds to PBS
> and NPR in the USA to cut cost. They are mostly
> viewer funded by fund drives.
>
> The worlds ECON is getting a reality check ;the fat
> has to be cutout. Time to get lean and mean.
>
> Cheers.
>
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "dac324" <dac324@...> wrote:
> >
> > Hello all,
> >

> > as some of you might have already heard, the UK government wants to cut
> the BBC World Service.
> >
> > Please sign the petition to protest against this step at
> http://www.petitionbuzz.com/petitions/savews
> >
> > Thank you and kind regards,
> > DAC324
> >
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>

2839. Re: Sony sucks not!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-19 11:16:34 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2826 Message: 2839

AH...the Earth Orbiter...I've got a CRF-5100 and it is a hot performer. Suffers from some images on SW but overall it compares very favorably with my solid state ZTO's.

Jay

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, bruno geuth <geuth_consulting@...> wrote:
>
> Sony sucks not!
> Â
> My beloved SW77 is now in repair but for my every evening China listening (in Belgium!) I am using a Sony Earth Orbiter CRF 5090 from 1972, and it still works perfectly...
>
> Best regards, Meilleures salutations, Mit freundlichen Grussen,
> Bruno Geuth
>
> Certified Consultant J.D.Edwards since 1991
>
> Financial Consultant since 1989
>
>
> Mobile: +32 476 837928
>
> Office: +32 2 7884938
>
> This message was sent from my iPad
>
> --- On Fri, 2/18/11, Skywarn <wxwatch@...> wrote:
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>
> From: Skywarn <wxwatch@...>
> Subject: Re: [de1103] The origins of the DE1103?
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Friday, February 18, 2011, 4:34 AM
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> Â
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>
> In short Sony Sucks!
> Â
> I had a sony vcr and it lasted only a year at best..teh top of the line.
> I will never buy a sony again!
> Â On 2/17/2011 10:22:36 PM, poikaa (kb8dns@...) wrote:

> > I recently had the privilege of repairing a SONY ICF-7700. It need a few
> > capacitors changed out as they were shorted and leaking, out of spec if
> > you wish.
> > Since I own a Degen DE-1103 this SONY made my day as the repair came out
> > very well! The radio it self is something else....
> > The 7700 resembles the DE-1103 both in size and function along with the
> > odd combination digital display and digi-analog scale. That's where it ends, as the
SONY has less than full coverage and no SSB or BFO. Internally the radio is very different.
> > Looking at the SONY next to the DE-1103 I am thinking the design of the 1103 came from
the SONY. The 7700 was produced for a short while in the mid eighties, was popular as it is
a good sounding radio.
> > Here is a link to a video I made for You Tube....
> >
> > http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=roVLwuYMzzY
>

2840. Re: [de1103] The origins of the DE1103?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-19 13:34:35 UTC
From: MWBRYANT@aol.com
Topic: 2826 Message: 2840

Rod,

I remember that the reviews of both radios in Passport to WB Radio both seemed to suggest that wasting so much dial space with a fake simulated analog tuning dial was an incredibly poor engineering choice, Frankly, though, I think they both look pretty "cool"

Mike

-----Original Message-----
From: poikaa <kb8dns@...>
To: de1103 <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thu, Feb 17, 2011 10:22 pm
Subject: [de1103] The origins of the DE1103?

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Here is a link to a video I made for You Tube....

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=roVLwuYMzzY

73 Rod KB8DNS

2841. Re: 6v transformer verse 8v switching wall wort...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-19 16:07:45 UTC
From: aircheck lover
Topic: 2799 Message: 2841

Got it. Thanks for the explanation.
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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Nelson" <greenbrier614@...> wrote:
>
> The original transformer wall wart is marked 6v, but puts out just under 8v without any load, which is typical of low current unregulated power supplies like these. The factory supply needs a little extra oomph for battery charging.
>
> Some switching supplies may actually have some regulation built into them, but most transformer wall warts don't. I was lucky enough to find a very nice 1 amp, 5v regulated transformer wall wart from an electronics surplus place that I use for an old Sony multi-band radio, and it's much better than the original low current supply. No more dimming lights when I turn up the volume.
>
> Nelson
>
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "aircheck lover" <mdh@> wrote:
> >
> > I'm hoping to clear up a mystery here, not add more confusion, And I will say up front the mystery may be only in my mind...
> >
> > It is my understanding that switching power supplies - the newer type of wall wort internal construction - should be rated a little higher than the battery demand due to the nature of the switching supply under load. Conversely, it is my understanding that the old school transformer/rectifier/filter wall wort should be rated at the battery voltage.
> >
> > Is this correct?
> >
> > -Mark
> >
>

2842. Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-19 17:02:38 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2824 Message: 2842

Paul Wrote:

-- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Paul M <pmooney22@> wrote:
>
> An inaccurate statement.
>
> Regarding PBS, as the Government only provides 1% of
> their funding it won't make a huge difference to either
> the Government of the service if funding is withdrawn
>
> UK radio/TV is funded by UK license fees, but the World
> Service is funded by the Foreign Office, but the proposal
> is to transfer funding from UK license fee payers.

"The principal means of funding the BBC is through the
television licence, costing £145.50 per year per household"

£3,493.8 million in licence fees collected from householders
£775.9 million from BBC Commercial Businesses;
£294.6 million from government grants;
£41.1 million from other income, such as providing content
to overseas broadcasters and concert ticket sales.

Yes of the £4,605.4 million ($7.48 BILLION USD) only 6.4%
is from the Gov, but 75.9% comes from Tax! Yes forcing
people to PAY for TV is TAX!!!!! That tax is controlled
and administered by the GOV.... Your 1% does not float.
I can only assume you work for BBC. BBC only earns 18%
of it's keep. Who are you kidding?

> The BBC is mainly Government funded, NOT Government run,
> which is why whichever party is in power in the UK they
> criticise the BBC (e.g. the resignations following the
> Hutton Report). It also receives funds from book, DVD
> sales, and advertising (it is prohibited from advertising
> within the UK).

May be monopoly would be a better term. Gov does control
the funding, and purse strings have power. They pay for
a HUGE part, with tax payer money. $240 USD a year is
paied to the BBC by each household.

Greg Dyke, the ex director general of the BBC was sacked
by Blair's government for allowing the truth to be told
regarding a dossier that had been embellished by Blair
and Alistair Campbell (known as the dodgy dossier).

Any claim to impartiality or public ownership of the BBC
is sickening and a farce.

It is not called BRITISH-BROAD-CAST for nothing. It's not
a FREE MARKET, capitalism, competitive system. The Gov
does not freely issue license for TV or Radio. At one time
they issued none. Remember Radio Carolina, the pirate radio
station in an old ship off the England coast in the 70's?
England had three channels back in the day, BBC 1, BBC 2
and Radio 3. Clearly there is not a lot of dissenting
voices or diversity.

What about the Hutton Report? It proves my point.
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hutton_Inquiry

Gov DOES exert pressure on BBC. There are lines drawn, but
lets fact it no journalism is with out bias. Yes the Gov
does not CONTROL it, by the vary nature it's VERY political,
with politically appointed flunkies in charge of it, who
can be fired by the Gov. It is also very conservative (as
in cautious, reserved) and not likely to get the full scoop.
Again the interned rendered this and other dinosaurs (news
papers) obsolete. I am just old enough to remember all the
dinosaurs and fondly remember news paper ink on my fingers,
but times change. It is hard to take a laptop with you in
the toilet.

> Located at the moment near the Middle-East, I am aware
> that the BBC World Service in Arabic & English is getting
> a LOT of listening to in the past few weeks whilst satellite
> & internet are being closed or heavily censored by local
> governments.

I am not saying BBC sucks or has no purpose or use. However
the point I was making, Short Wave Radio (which I love) is
antiquated with the Internet, satellite radio, cable TV.

You can SEE what is going on live from camara phones or
from "Twitter" and other means, that circumnavigated the
old media institutions. Look I'm not "A Subject of The Queen"
and thus don't pay Brit Taxes, so if the British folks love
funding their TV and Radio fine by being TAXED. Good.However
the reality is BBC DOES NOT EARN ITS WAY. IT IS PUBLICLY AND
GOVERNMENT FUNDED TO THE TUNE OF 80%.

The money to "Foreign Service" comes from where? Revenues?
I think not. 82% of the Foreign service is from the Gov/Tax
payers. If the Brits want to fund it fine, I have no say.

I hope you don't lose your job at BBC. As I said BBC cut
out Short Wave Radio service to North Amerca many years
ago. I have no say what BBC does and to who. I can say
that it's too bad, but it's called the Economy. Bloated

institutions that basically operated on wealfair are going
to be hurt like everyone. You earn your keep or you go.

Cheers.

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> --- On Fri, 18/2/11, Greg <gmcjetpilot@...> wrote:
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> > From: Greg <gmcjetpilot@...>
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> > and NPR in the USA to cut cost. They are mostly
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2843. Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-19 17:23:24 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2824 Message: 2843

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Nageswara Rao Routhu <routhun@...> wrote:
>
> Yeah,
>
> Another spreading of lies by RW'er. Enough! no more
> lies, at least don't target what is outside of US.

HOW DARE YOU. You can't debate so you do what? Call
mea liar and RIGHT WINGER? Well you are wrong on both
accounts. Read my post to Paul M <pmooney22@...>.
Seems Paul M is lying or works for BBC.

What am I lying about. I dare you do tell me how
I lied? Other wise you should hold your tongue.

If the BBC went away there would be NO lack of
information. Get you facts straight. I guarantee
you would not call me a liar to my face coward.

BTW it was the BBC that "sexed" up the pre Iraq Intel.
There was not critical journalism going on there.

Last I DON'T GIVE A @#$%. BBC can stay or go. Who cares.
BBC is not going to make ANY DIFFERENCE. Also I point
out they don't broadcast in North America via Short
Wave. They have Sat Radio and are picked up by USA's
PBS TV for the news. We have BBC... The Shortwave radio
is redundant. DO YOU GET THE POINT?

Have a nice day.

2844. Re: [de1103] Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-19 17:30:04 UTC
From: Skywarn
Topic: 2824 Message: 2844

Does anyone know if there is a program trick for the Kaito 1103
where I can use the external antenna jack with a loop antenna
like the Degen 1103?

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: Greg
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, February 19, 2011 12:23 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Nageswara Rao Routhu <routhun@...> wrote:
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PBS TV for the news. We have BBC... The Shortwave radio
is redundant. DO YOU GET THE POINT?

Have a nice day.

2845. Re: [de1103] Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-19 18:05:22 UTC
From: Nageswara Rao Routhu
Topic: 2824 Message: 2845

I don't care about BBC and no longer listen to them, but why are you swinging to off topic about PBS? Aren't RW'ers targeting PBS funding right now with the budget battles. Anyway I don't have any free time to discuss these stuff, I won't reply to this thread anymore.

Have nice day

On Sat, Feb 19, 2011 at 9:23 AM, Greg <gmcjetpilot@...> wrote:

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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Nageswara Rao Routhu <routhun@...> wrote:
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> PBS TV for the news. We have BBC... The Shortwave radio
> is redundant. DO YOU GET THE POINT?
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> Have a nice day.
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2846. Re: [de1103] Re: Sony sucks not!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-19 20:24:44 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 2826 Message: 2846

While Sony may have made some decent products in the past, their absolutely reprehensible corporate behavior the last few years makes me not never want to buy any of their products again. Others opinions may be different.

TTYL
--

CUL8R

KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell
A Satisfied Aptosid Linux user! To get Aptosid go to: www.aptosid.com
They say that if you play a Microsoft CD backwards, you hear satanic voices. That's nothing, because if you play it forwards, it installs Windows!

2847. Re: [de1103] Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-20 12:48:58 UTC
From: Paul M
Topic: 2824 Message: 2847

Greg,

your rant and claim that I am a liar falls down on two further inaccuracies:

1. that I suggested that 1% of the BBC funds comes from the British Government. I did not and never have made such a comment.

2. that I am employed by the BBC - I am not and have not ever been in their employ.

3. the BBC is a monopoly. The UK has numerous other radio/TV providers. I fondly recall listening to Radio Caroline (sic) and others (Radios Essex, London, etc) but do wonder (as I did with your comments about your lavatorial habits) what relevance it has - the pirate ships anchored outside British territorial waters was nearly 50 years ago.

4. The body that keeps an eye on the BBC (the BBC Trust) is not appointed by the Government. The Director-general of the BBC is selected by the BBC Trust.

4. Greg Dyke resigned (he wasn't sacked) because the Hutton Report criticised the way the BBC handled Dr Kelly's 'leaks' and subsequent death. Blair's office had complained after initial news reports about the September dossier, Dyke immediately defended the reports for accuracy without checking them out.

5. I'm afraid that I don't have your intimate knowledge of secret British Government/intelligence services documents to state with your certainty about the September dossier, but I regret that Lord Hutton didn't call you as a witless - his report said that the was no evidence that the report was 'sexed up' to bring about the war in Iraq. You would have able to correct him.

6. That the funding of the BBC is

BTW, I'd like to congratulate TV stations like BBC World and Al Jazeerah International for the superb coverage they gave of the revolt in Egypt, especially after the government cut internet access and demanded that phone operators close their service - meaning very little facebook, tweeter, SMS etc.

I also had to smile at this in your original post:

> UK should have got rid of their Gov run "state radio" monopoly
> 50 yrs ago. It is just down right un-American!

They did get rid of the 'monopoly' 50 years ago.

And as soon as the UK officially becomes the 52nd state I'm sure they'll stop being 'un-American'.

Don't forget, there's a reason they built the U.N. HQ in New York :wink:

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--- On Sat, 19/2/11, Greg <gmcjetpilot@...> wrote:

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> Subject: [de1103] Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Saturday, 19 February, 2011, 20:02
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> proposal
> > is to transfer funding from UK license fee payers.
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2848. An Apology

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-20 15:41:56 UTC
From: pmooney22
Topic: 2848 Message: 2848

A recent post of mine was inappropriate for this forum, please accept my apologies.

In an earlier post I had attempted to correct a fellow members misconceptions, but he has chosen to call me 'a liar' which aroused my anger and led to that post.

However to threaten another person with violence because they did call you a liar doesn't make you any less a liar - it just makes you a lying thug.

I hope you appreciate that I did not descend to that level.

Once again, my apologies, and I will make no further comment on this or the previous thread.

Thank you for your time, and a promise that I will stay 'on topic' in future.

2849. Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-20 21:29:08 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2824 Message: 2849

You owe me an apology. You don't know me and calling me a Right Wing liar is beyond unacceptable. You don't know me.

This is what we are talking about:

"BBC World Service cuts outlined to staff"
"The BBC has confirmed plans to close five of its 32 World Service language services. Staff have been informed that up to 650 jobs will be lost from a workforce of 2,400 over the next three years."

The Macedonian, Albanian and Serbian services will be axed, as will English for the Caribbean and Portuguese for Africa, in a bid to save £46m a year. The BBC estimates audiences will fall by 30 million, from 180 million to 150 million a week."

Ref: BBC mobile:
http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/entertainment-arts-12283356

WHOOP-DEE-DO! Who cares. For this you call me a right wing liar? Really.

I as well have no dog in the fight. I don't know if BBC's reporting is slanted. I don't care. I do know when it was on SW, I would tune in, and it was boring. I also tune into Radio Cuba to test my SW radio and hear their slant for a good laugh. I also listen to Radio China, Radio Canada, Radio Netherlands, Radio Russia, Radio New Zealand and any English SW programs for fun more than my main source of information.

I don't dislike BBC; it's just not an earthshaking event to sign a petition. It is also non of my business. You should learn that lesson and butt out.

****
The BBC cut is NOT a secret right wing conspiracy to stifle dissenting voice. Are you crazy?
****

The small audience of BBC SW operations does not justify the expense. They rationalize access through the internet, cable TV and satellite radio is cost effective and provides better audio than SW radio.

Balkan, Caribbean and Africa gets screwed? Well why don't they start their own radio and TV stations? I am sure they do have radio and TV (no doubt funded by aid from America). You are welcome. Caribbean is close to North and South America and is sick with SW signals, as well as AM, FM radio and TV. There is no black out of info here.

Even in deep dark African there is satellite radio, TV and other SW stations that target the Continent of Africa. BBC will not be missed. Heck Africa is rich. I get a letter or two a day from an African Prince that wants to send me $30 million. May be if they stop sending out those emails and get to work educating their kids and work they would be a bigger success, you think?

BBC's decision is based 100% on BUSINESS. They figured out the listening audience was tiny, and it was a big part of their budget. They are going to cut out the less popular programing. That is how it works in the USA. A show or program does not get ratings it gets axed. That does not always mean it was a bad show, just not commercially viable. Should programing be funded by the public if it can't be profitable?

> "why are you swinging to off topic about PBS?"

My POINT about PBS was very relevant and pertinent. We in USA have FULL access to over the air BBC News via PBS TV. That's the point I was making.

You apparently want to draw some parallel with BBC & PBS as a right wing conspiracy?

The topic is BBC cutting some services due to budget, so let me educate you.

Facts about PBS and NPR, it is for the USA only, no BBC like "foreign service". BBC service cuts are for foreign counties. 170 million USA citizens make use of NPR and PBS, and their budget is a tiny fraction of budget of BBC. The funding for NPR and PBS is over 80% privately funded, where BBC is 80% Gov and "tax" funded. Both PBS and NPR are listener funded with voluntary listener contributions, community, state grants, as well as grants from Federal and corporation grants for the arts. Neither PBS or NPR get direct Federal funds. They are grants.

Each PBS/NPR station is some what independently funded by the community they serve and broadcast to. I'm all for NPR and PBS. My wife and I listen to their programs which are fantastic. We voluntarily contribute generously to BOTH OF THEM! Do you? Watch what you say, you don't know me.

If BBC was cut of all Brit Gov funds and "License Fees" (tax on the British Subjects) it would cease to exist. NPR and PBS can exist with out Fed funds. BIG DIFFERENCE! It is off topic and you took it there. Learn to read and think more before typing.

> "Aren't RW'ers targeting PBS funding right now with the
> budget battles"

Again you bring up RIGHT WINGERS? You have RIGHT WING Derangement Syndrome. Every time you hear something you don't like or think some one disagrees with you, you start yelling RIGHT WINGER LIAR? That is foolish. I think you need to evaluate your paranoia about right wing conspiracies and accusing strangers on the internet of being "right wing liars". So are you a left wing secular liberal?

I'm conservative when it comes to finances. Yes budgets have to be balanced, cuts made. I am NOT for cutting PBS grants, and you did not ask me, you assumed. As far as BBC I have no say. It's none of my business. Where do you live? What concern is BBC or PBS to you? May be you should learn to be quiet and listen more, talk less.

We have enough news outlets to present all views with out NPR or PBS being controversial. If they report the News, make it straight down the middle, FACTS ONLY... no commentary. NPR and PBS has GREAT SHOWS for kids and adults that is worth support that is not controversial.

The recent firing of 10 yr veteran NPR reporter Juan Williams showed how ideologically driven NPR news was internally. If they fire people for voicing a reasonable opinion, be it liberal or conservative, then I will stop contributing. PBS and NPR's stupidity will destroy it not the Republicans or "Right Wingers" as you call them. NPR and PBS have great shows well worth support. Their "News" is often slanted. That's OK, I don't go to NPR/PBS for news. However when they get into propaganda left or right, I draw the line.

BBC still reports WORLD NEWS and it can be accessed by the Internet, over the air TV and subscription satellite radio, even in the affected countries. As far as having BBC staff as a permanent Bureaus or foreign language programs (English for Caribbean and Africa), I don't think I have a right or need to sign any partition. What will 30 million do for news in Caribbean and Africa? There is SW programs in these areas as well as FM.AM.TV.Internet.

Goodbye, and if you reply, it should be an apology from start to end. This is no place to get political. There

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> "Have a nice Day"

That is all you have to say after insulting me and making
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> Have nice day

2850. Re: [de1103] Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-21 02:45:25 UTC
From: Nageswara Rao Routhu
Topic: 2824 Message: 2850

Do something more productive, I don't even care to read your post that you spent lot of time on. Sorry to say, but I have lot more stuff to do than defending PBS/BBC on these forums.

On Sun, Feb 20, 2011 at 1:29 PM, Greg <gmcjetpilot@...> wrote:

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> You owe me an apology. You don't know me and calling
> me a Right Wing liar is beyond unacceptable. You
> don't know me.
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> This is what we are talking about:
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> "BBC World Service cuts outlined to staff"
> "The BBC has confirmed plans to close five of its
> 32 World Service language services. Staff have been
> informed that up to 650 jobs will be lost from a
> workforce of 2,400 over the next three years."
>
> The Macedonian, Albanian and Serbian services will
> be axed, as will English for the Caribbean and
> Portuguese for Africa, in a bid to save £46m a year.
> The BBC estimates audiences will fall by 30 million,
> from 180 million to 150 million a week."
>
> Ref: BBC mobile:
> http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/entertainment-arts-12283356
>
> WHOOP-DEE-DO! Who cares. For this you call me a right
> wing liar? Really.
>
> I as well have no dog in the fight. I don't know if BBC's
> reporting is slanted. I don't care. I do know when it was
> on SW, I would tune in, and it was boring. I also tune
> into Radio Cuba to test my SW radio and hear their slant
> for a good laugh. I also listen to Radio China, Radio
> Canada, Radio Netherlands, Radio Russia, Radio New Zealand
> and any English SW programs for fun more than my main
> source of information.
>
> I don't dislike BBC; it's just not an earthshaking event
> to sign a petition. It is also non of my business. You
> should learn that lesson and butt out.
>

> **********
> The BBC cut is NOT a secret right wing conspiracy to
> stifle dissenting voice. Are you crazy?
> **********
>
> The small audience of BBC SW operations does not justify
> the expense. They rationalize access through the internet,
> cable TV and satellite radio is cost effective and provides
> better audio than SW radio.
>
> Balkan, Caribbean and Africa gets screwed? Well why don't
> they start their own radio and TV stations? I am sure they
> do have radio and TV (no doubt funded by aid from America).
> You are welcome. Caribbean is close to North and South
> America and is sick with SW signals, as well as AM, FM
> radio and TV. There is no black out of info here.
>
> Even in deep dark African there is satellite radio, TV and
> other SW stations that target the Continent of Africa. BBC
> will not be missed. Heck Africa is rich. I get a letter or
> two a day from an African Prince that wants to send me
> $30 million. May be if they stop sending out those emails
> and get to work educating their kids and work they would
> be a bigger success, you think?
>
> BBC's decision is based 100% on BUSINESS. They figured out
> the listening audience was tiny, and it was a big part of
> their budget. They are going to cut out the less popular
> programing. That is how it works in the USA. A show or
> program does not get ratings it gets axed. That does not
> always mean it was a bad show, just not commercially viable.
> Should programing be funded by the public if it can't be
> profitable?
>
>
> > "why are you swinging to off topic about PBS?"
>
> My POINT about PBS was very relevant and pertinent. We in
> USA have FULL access to over the air BBC News via PBS TV.
> That's the point I was making.
>
> You apparently want to draw some parallel with
> BBC & PBS as a right wing conspiracy?
>
> The topic is BBC cutting some services due to budget,
> so let me educate you.
>
> Facts about PBS and NPR, it is for the USA only, no BBC
> like "foreign service". BBC service cuts are for foreign
> counties. 170 million USA citizens make use of NPR and

> PBS, and their budget is a tiny fraction of budget of BBC.
> The funding for NPR and PBS is over 80% privately funded,
> where BBC is 80% Gov and "tax" funded. Both PBS and NPR are
> listener funded with voluntary listener contributions,
> community, state grants, as well as grants from Federal
> and corporation grants for the arts. Neither PBS or NPR
> get direct Federal funds. They are grants.
>
> Each PBS/NPR station is some what independently funded
> by the community they serve and broadcast to. I'm all for
> NPR and PBS. My wife and I listen to their programs which
> are fantastic. We voluntarily contribute generously to
> BOTH OF THEM! Do you? Watch what you say, you don't know me.
>
> If BBC was cut of all Brit Gov funds and "License Fees"
> (tax on the British Subjects) it would cease to exist.
> NPR and PBS can exist with out Fed funds. BIG DIFFERENCE!
> It is off topic and you took it there. Learn to read and
> think more before typing.
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2851. Re: [de1103] Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-21 02:51:34 UTC
From: Skywarn
Topic: 2824 Message: 2851

I thought this was a degen1103 yahoo group not the bloody
media complaint center.

Bottom line is read on your own and get all the information
to ask questions yourself..dont be spoon fed by any media..

but of course we all have to be like programmed robots
from the media perspective,,.

Lets get to teh degen1103 radios and enough of this BS.!
Paul
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2852. Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-21 05:42:41 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2824 Message: 2852

Dear Nageswara Rao Routhu:

> "I have lot more stuff to do than
> defending PBS/BBC on these forums"

No one asked you, but have time to call me a "right wing liar". Next time you say that, do it in person to my face keyboard hero. You assume and attack people you don't know, you troll.

> "I don't even care to read your post that blah blah..."

That is right you don't read. You lost troll; now run along. You embarrised yourself.

Have a nice day.

2853. Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-21 06:33:09 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2824 Message: 2853

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> 1. that I suggested that 1% of the BBC funds comes
> from the British Government. I did not and never have
> made such a comment.

Thanks for clearing that up? Again BBC is a bloated
tax payer supported monopoly, and no I will not
sign your petition. And why should I? Just because?

> 2. that I am employed by the BBC - I am not and have
> not ever been >in their employ.

IT WAS A JOKE BECAUSE YOU ARE SO UPSET ABOUT THIS. WHO
CARES if Serbia, Africa and Caribbean loose BBC. Really.

> 3. the BBC is a monopoly. The UK has numerous other
>radio/TV providers. I fondly recall listening to Radio
>Caroline (sic) and others (Radios Essex, London, etc)
>but do wonder (as I did with your comments about your
>lavatorial habits) what relevance it has - the pirate
>ships anchored outside British territorial waters was
>nearly 50 years ago.

Wow two radio stations! You convinced me! LOL!
Freudian slip on you part I guess, "BBC is a monopoly".
I agree. You are argumentative and pedantic. I don't
care. Do you have a google deficiency? Try:

"BBC monopoly on licence fee Sachsgate report scandal"

You have employees at the "free market" BBC making
6 million pounds (almost $10 million usd). BBC is my
hero, let me sign that petition!~

>4. The body that keeps an eye on the BBC (the BBC
>Trust) is not appointed by the Government. The
>Director-general of the BBC is selected by the
BBC Trust.

Fascinating, Yawn. I still don't care.

> 4. Greg Dyke resigned (he wasn't sacked) because the
>Hutton Report criticised the way the BBC handled
>Dr Kelly's 'leaks' and subsequent death. Blair's office
>had complained after initial news reports about the
>September dossier, Dyke immediately defended the reports
>for accuracy without checking them out.

This can all be looked up on Google and is a matter of
record. The opinions you express are your own, nothing
more. You can blow all the smoke you want, I am not
buying BBC is some noble financially viable profitable
institution. It can't get out of it's own way. It is a
bloated bureaucracy that is an albatross and anchor on
the necks of England's tax payers. May be time to get
rid of the royals, the queen and that prince charlies.
Save a bundle on that crew. You realize this is 2011 and
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>of secret British Government/intelligence services
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>the report was 'sexed up' to bring about the war in Iraq.
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call my Congressman and Senator Monday morning. We need
BBC in Serbia, Africa and Caribbean. This is an outrage!

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> BTW, I'd like to congratulate TV stations like BBC
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> HQ in New York :wink:

First we have 50 states, but I don't expect a limey to know this, considering UK was the biggest imperialist in history. Save your anti American propaganda I don't care. UK is a third world country that will be renamed United Kingdom of Islam, soon. The most popular boys name in England last year? Mohammad! Enjoy Londonistan. Mean while BBC will report Islam is a religion of peace. Ha ha, dhimmitude will not be so bad for you.

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Cheers.

2854. Re: [de1103] Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-21 16:25:33 UTC
From: hardrain
Topic: 2824 Message: 2854

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Thanks

Raffaello

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2855. Re: [de1103] Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-21 22:40:48 UTC
From: Skywarn
Topic: 2824 Message: 2855

Amen Brother!

Paul
On 2/21/2011 11:25:33 AM, hardrain (i1hnyxxx@...) wrote:
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2856. Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-22 11:41:30 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2824 Message: 2856

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, hardrain <i1hnyxxx@...> wrote:
>
> Greg, I really didn't need to read Islamofobic crap
> today. Thanks anyway for providing some.

You say anything about Islam that's in the least
not all goodness and light it is "islamofbic"??
WOW. Ha ha! I have studied Islam for 8 yrs, read
the Quran and Hadith, as well as three books on
islamic history and mohammad. You should try it.
I think you would find it very interesting. I
also extensively have travelled and will travel
again through the middle east. I have ZERO POINT
ZERO "phobia". That would imply some fear for
ignorance. I have neither one. What I stated was
fact. I think it is you who is afraid and want
to stick your head in the sand.

> But now we had enough. Most of us subscribed to this
> list for radio listening-related discussions.

I agree, that why it is not a place to post
SAVE THE BBC WORLD SERVICE SIGN THE PETITION.

That is not appropriate forum for "petitions". The
BBC World service is not going away, just a bureau
or three, losing about 16% of their coverage. Also
the argument did not involve you.

Have a nice day.

2857. Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-22 12:12:03 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2824 Message: 2857

de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Skywarn" <wxwatch@...> wrote:
>
> Amen Brother!
>

Funny you would say that. A Christian woman, Bibi Asia (look it up), mother of 5 in Pakistan, said Amen! She was sentenced to death by hanging for blasphemy against islam. When the Mayor of the province defended her, asked for leniency, he was shot by his own security guard and the Imams rallied protest calling for her death.

Why do we care about BBC? In defense of BBC (which is relevant to SW radio and "petitions") they did report this, to their credit, when many news groups ran the other way and ignored it, for fear of being "islamophobic" and people who make death threats and kill over cartoons. People who are afraid of the truth yell "islamaphobic" and silence free speech. Good job. Britain ignored and appeased Germany in the late 1930's. (Neville Chamberlain, look it up)

Now go sign the petition. I think I will now. We do need BBC in Serbia and Africa to report the Bibi Asia story. Sadly many people who live there are all for killing this woman for blasphemy against Islam. After all it is part of the Quran and Sharia law. No one was talking to you. I hope you learn something.

Amen to you Brother! (and I'll never be "phobic" to say that)

Death to fear and ignorance.

2858. Re: [de1103] Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-22 13:51:03 UTC
From: Paul M
Topic: 2824 Message: 2858

--- On Tue, 22/2/11, Greg <gmcjetpilot@...> wrote:

>
> Death to fear and ignorance.
>

:)

BTW, how DO you appease AND ignore?

That's a rhetorical question (Look it up)

Disclaimers: I have entered into no agreements regarding mails erroneously sent to this address, and reserve the right to do as I wish with any such emails._____

2859. Re: [de1103] Re: Save the BBC World Service - please sign the Petition

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-22 15:58:04 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 2824 Message: 2859

Why don't you guys get back on topic? Good thing for you guys I am not
a moderator here or you all would have kicked from the group (after a
warning)!

ENOUGH OF THE OFF TOPIC CRAP!!

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CUL8R

KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell
A Satisfied Aptosid Linux user! To get Aptosid go to: www.aptosid.com
They say that if you play a Microsoft CD backwards, you hear satanic
voices. That's nothing, because if you play it forwards, it installs
Windows!

2860. Re: [de1103] Re: Interval signals from the 1970s

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-14 19:28:31 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2788 Message: 2860

Hi Mark

To download the files you can use YouTube Downloader:
http://youtubedownload.altervista.org/

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "aircheklover" <mdh@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2011 2:32 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Interval signals from the 1970s

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2861. Re: new user from the uk looking for help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-02-27 20:32:30 UTC
From: umassys
Topic: 2799 Message: 2861

my degen 1103 arrived this week and so far, i'm very pleased with it [:)]

i used the power adapter i already owned (mentioned below) to charge 2700mah batts in the radio and set the charger to 6v. plugged in and it started charging. i then unplugged, set the adapter to 9v and again it started charging. so it looks like it charges on both 6v and 9v.

saying that i'm still a little confused and after advice now on which of the 6v or 9v setting on the adapter i shoujld use?

stuart

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "umassys" <alphaflix@...> wrote:
>
> i have one of these
>
> http://www.wsplc.com/acatalog/SMP-1000A_Switch_Mode_Power_Adaptor.html
>
> the reason i posted the question in the first place is as you can see from the adapter above, there is no '8v' listed. i spoke with waters & stanton and they seemed to think that setting it to '9v' would be fine. they also said '6v' may be fine!
>
> so what do users here think of this adapter? is it suitable for my purpose?
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mvs" mvs_sarma@ wrote:
> >
> > i feel that the adopters concerned are just unregulated and thus might show 8V on no load. As we plug in and draw current, the voltage might come down.
> > the charger circuitry inside DE1103 regulates the charge by constant current mode with voltage upper limit, perhaps.
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2862. De1103 Problem SOS

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-03 11:08:41 UTC
From: Jorge
Topic: 2862 Message: 2862

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Rather than see a line on the dial are 3, 4 or dozens of them.

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Does anyone know what could be the problem?

Thank you very much and sorry for my english translator google

2863. Re: De1103 Problem SOS

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-03 12:52:46 UTC
From: Jorge
Topic: 2862 Message: 2863

I bought for EBAY to Elink.shop

Thanks

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2864. Re: De1103 Problem SOS

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-03 14:40:43 UTC
From: Ed
Topic: 2862 Message: 2864

Many years ago, radiamateur Kenwood transceiver TS820 had the some problem. Frequency display some led elements were switched off. Thus the number 8 becomes letter C and so on. The problem was due to bad contacts of a connector. A Service Kenwood bulletin explained that it was enough to clean the male connector and the problem was solved. This happened to me.
I do not know if the De1103 having connectors, but it seems unlikely that many elements of a display fail at the same time.

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2865. Re: [de1103] Re: De1103 Problem SOS

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-03 15:52:06 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 2862 Message: 2865

I would try to recharge the batteries in a separate charger. And try again powering on the unit within a few days with them.

This could be a possibility to solve the problem, since the DE1103, I have the understanding of having issues with remnant semi-charged components in the circuit. Maybe I am wrong, but could be this....

Horacio A. Nigro
Montevideo
Uruguay

2866. Re: De1103 Problem SOS

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-04 08:04:37 UTC
From: dovalep
Topic: 2862 Message: 2866

Did you try RESET ?
If reset doesn`t help, take out batteries for 4-6 days.
And finaly: carefully open the radio,check for a good contact between the connector and a flat cable.
Make visual check inside a specialy where is display placed.
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Regards, Dov.
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2867. Re: De1103 Problem SOS

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-04 10:48:35 UTC
From: Jorge
Topic: 2862 Message: 2867

Thank you all for your contributions
Already tried to reset it and change the batteries and got no results.
Suddenly one day he started work well, but three or four days began again beaten.
I'll try to open it, as suggested dovalep, and check the connections, but I am little skilled.

73

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2868. Re: De1103 Problem SOS

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-04 15:55:24 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2862 Message: 2868

I would try all the previous suggestions first/

Low battery has never made my display fade. The radio
works right up to as long as it can and then shuts
down automatically (to not drain the battery). With
that said do make sure the batteries are charged. If
they have the typical 1200 mAhr you need about 10-11
hours of charge time.

I have followed this forum for a few year, and have
owned my 1103 for 4 yrs? I have only seen one or two
complaints of display issues. One was just the Signal
strength section was not working. It ended up clearing
up by it self I recall. I think TEMP affects the
display, cold temps makes the LCD fade. Make sure it
is room temp. My display has been flawless.

If you are brave (not so hard) carefully remove the
back of the case and check for any connectors to the
display. Just wiggle connectors gently. It is possible
the LCD is screwed in and distorted it slightly. If
you ever took a LCD and twisted, bent, slightly pushed
on the actual LCD surface, you make the display fade.
I had mine open years ago and forgot what it looks like.
It is possible as the case heats and cools it might be
distorting the display.

Not sure how to check if the display is being physically
distorted with out taking the LCD out or loosening the
mount screws (if it is screwed in or glued, don't recall).

If you don't want to poke around, hold the case at each
end and gently try and twist the case. See if that affects
the display.

Cheers

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2869. Re: Interval signals from the 1970s

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-05 03:22:35 UTC
From: tdickens22
Topic: 2788 Message: 2869

Hi,

Thanks a lot for posting these links! I started listening to SW in about 1972, and remember hearing a bunch of these interval signals. This brought back some great memories...

Regards,
Tom

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2870. R: [de1103] Re: De1103 Problem SOS

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-05 10:18:25 UTC
From: lidopasquesi@virgilio.it
Topic: 2870 Message: 2870

I am sorry but in my opinion (I hope to be wrong) the problem is not easy to solve. It seems like a bad contact or malfunction of the pll. Probably is a silly thing but is not easy got it.If you have a scope you can check the voltages on pins of ic's, Check all connection and ... good luck.Degen, as all chinese low cost electronics gadget, have often problems. On mine (probably the second series) is all ok for now but on every issue they try to spent less for production.Sorryi5wnn

----Messaggio originale----

Da: jorgetrinado@...

Data: 4-mar-2011 11.48

A: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>

Ogg: [de1103] Re: De1103 Problem SOS

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2871. New Radio with Humble Pie

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-11 18:56:46 UTC
From: olefrijole
Topic: 2871 Message: 2871

I just received a Grundig G6 Aviator (hardly used, a few weeks old) from a nun who is moving on to another assignment. I cannot keep my jaw from hitting the floor.

First, I am the happy owner of a Kaito 1103. The 'humble pie' part comes from my poky relationship with Sister. She drafted me to volunteer at my church; we had language barriers to overcome but found common ground in our faith and prefrence for Nescafe coffee.

Now, the G6 is in my care and since I leave for work in a few moments I haven't the time to really peruse the manual. Did I read a post here comparing the '1103 and the G6?

Your help appreciated.
Joe

2872. Re: New Radio with Humble Pie

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-12 10:39:20 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2871 Message: 2872

"Did I read a post here comparing the '1103 and the G6?"

There is a SEARCH function for the post on the group.
Search it with some key words. Try different words
but Grundig G6 will be a good start.

If you now own both you can compare them your self!

Your best bet is to GOOGLE... read the reviews
of the G6 and 1103.

I googled Grundig G6 vs Degen DE1103 and got
a few hits. Not sure if there is any direct
comparison, but you can read the reviews of
each separately and get a good idea.

There have been many comparison reviews of
under $150 portables including the 1103 and
Grundig products. The 1103 comes out well.
The Aviator G6 has the obvious advantage of
the Aviation (VHF) communication band.

Are you saying you don't have the manual?

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2873. Re: New Radio with Humble Pie

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-12 17:13:57 UTC
From: olefrijole
Topic: 2871 Message: 2873

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I got everything except the box. Thanks for the advice.

Joe
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2874. Clock

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-18 20:29:21 UTC
From: Eric Rooney
Topic: 2874 Message: 2874

The clock of my 1103 is very inacurate.It gains a minute in a few days.
Does anyone have a remedy?

2875. Re: [de1103] Clock

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-18 20:59:20 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 2874 Message: 2875

Eric,
I do not have a remedy for this but you know what? I will check the accuracy of my DE1103's clock for a couple of days and I will let you know the result...

Thanks,

Bruno

Best regards, Meilleures salutations, Mit freundlichen Grussen,
Bruno Geuth

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--- On Fri, 3/18/11, Eric Rooney <ericrooney65@...> wrote:

From: Eric Rooney <ericrooney65@...>
Subject: [de1103] Clock
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, March 18, 2011, 9:29 PM

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2876. Catalepsy

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-18 23:08:15 UTC
From: Aluizio Antonio dos Santos
Topic: 2876 Message: 2876

Catalepsy in my 1103.
It has happened very often.
The button works usually changing the tuning frequency, but no sound comes out of the current station.
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It seems that the stage of signal processing can not find the audio stage.
The reset button turns off the radio but it still does not sound tuned station.
What has resolved and removed the battery for a few hours, then he returns to functioning normally.
Anyone know the remedy for that.
Grateful
Aluizio

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Parece que o estágio de processamento do sinal não encontra o estágio de audio.
O botão de reset desliga o radio mas ele continua sem som da emissora sintonizada.
O que tem resolvido e a retirada das pilhas por algumas hora, aí ele volta a funcionar normalmente.
Alguem sabe o remedio para isso.
Grato
Aluizio

2877. Re: [de1103] Catalepsy

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-19 00:29:06 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2876 Message: 2877

Hi - Does the same thing happen on FM, and when one uses the Line Out (J4).? It would also be a help to observe what happens at pin 9 of IC2 (TA2057N) when the radio is working, compared to when it is not. Sorry, I forget which way is which, but either pulling pin 9 up to +5V (pin 6) using 100K, or pulling pin 9 down to 0V (pin 8) will over-ride the muting of the TA2057N.
Regards,
Bob.
P.S. (Sorry - I don't know how all of this is going to come out in Portuguese). Deficiencies in the filtering around C403, C404, R401, R402, R403 can cause this problem.

From: Aluizio Antonio dos Santos <aluiziosantos@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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2878. Re: [de1103] Catalepsy

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-19 03:20:26 UTC
From: Aluizio Antonio dos Santos
Topic: 2876 Message: 2878

Tk´s Bob
Yes, it does same thinq on FM and using the line Out too!
About the deficiencies in C403, C404, R401, R402, R403 coud cause this problems just for some time yes some time not?
Aluizio

I did not use de google now I hope you understand the question!
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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-19 05:56:30 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2876 Message: 2879

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-19 06:28:05 UTC
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Topic: 2876 Message: 2880

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2881. Re: Clock

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-19 14:52:43 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 2874 Message: 2881

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Eric Rooney <ericrooney65@...> wrote:
>
> The clock of my 1103 is very inacurate.It gains a minute in a few days.
> Does anyone have a remedy?

Eric,

See the "Files" of this group.
"Clock Speed Mod".

Reg.:
jan

2882. Re: [de1103] Catalepsy

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-19 14:58:15 UTC
From: Aluizio Antonio dos Santos
Topic: 2876 Message: 2882

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2883. Re: Catalepsy

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-19 15:13:15 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 2876 Message: 2883

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2884. Re: [de1103] Re: Catalepsy

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-19 18:26:06 UTC
From: Aluizio Antonio dos Santos
Topic: 2876 Message: 2884

Hi Nelson,
I'm guessing the problem is more serious.
I never use the power supply to drive a radio, but the problem occurs with fully charged batteries.
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2885. Replacement Back Stand

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-19 23:19:21 UTC
From: Don Palmer
Topic: 2885 Message: 2885

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-19 23:42:57 UTC
From: Vinicius Ferreira de Oliveira
Topic: 2876 Message: 2886

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2887. Re: [de1103] Catalepsy

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-20 05:03:43 UTC
From: Aluizio Antonio dos Santos
Topic: 2876 Message: 2887

Pelo nome acho que posso falar obrigado Vinicius,
Vou tentar a sua dica juntamente com as dicas do Bob.
Aluizio
By the name I think I can say thank Vinicius
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2888. Re: [de1103] Replacement Back Stand

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-20 13:14:33 UTC
From: Thad Larson
Topic: 2885 Message: 2888

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2889. Re: Replacement Back Stand

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-21 03:13:46 UTC
From: Don Palmer
Topic: 2885 Message: 2889

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2890. New file uploaded to de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-21 16:13:00 UTC
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 343 Message: 2890

Hello,

This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the de1103
group.

File : /dobradi?a provis?ria.JPG
Uploaded by : aluizioasantos <aluiziosantos@...>
Description : Provisory Back Stand

You can access this file at the URL:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/dobradi%80%A0%A0%E7a%20provis%80%A0%A0%F3ria.JPG

To learn more about file sharing for your group, please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/l/us/yahoo/groups/original/members/web/index.html
Regards,

aluizioasantos <aluiziosantos@...>

2891. temporarily solution to support broken hinge

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-21 16:17:30 UTC
From: Aluizio Antonio dos Santos
Topic: 2891 Message: 2891

I did this temporarily to support broken hinge.
I used 3M double sided tape used to fix a lot of acronyms in cars without removing the outer skin.

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/dobradi%80%A0%A0%E7a%20provis%80%A0%A0%F3ria.JPG

2892. Re: temporarily solution to support broken hinge

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-21 16:38:28 UTC
From: aluizio
Topic: 2891 Message: 2892

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/photos/album/29131556/pic/1407972570/view?picmode=&mode=tn&order=ordinal&start=1&count=20&dir=asc

I hope this link work!

2893. Re: Replacement Back Stand

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-22 21:53:14 UTC
From: Don Palmer
Topic: 2885 Message: 2893

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2894. Re: Replacement Back Stand

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-23 15:23:39 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 2885 Message: 2894

The back stand can bend quite a bit without breaking. I drilled out the broken end on the one from my G5 and inserted a length of steel music wire to replace the pin. Worked great.

Nelson

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2895. Re: Replacement Back Stand

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-23 16:03:38 UTC
From: dovalep
Topic: 2885 Message: 2895

Hi Don,
Very glad that your problem is solved. probably a toothpick in Israel more thicker (hi-hi).Good luck!
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http://www.qrz.com/db/4z5nu

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2896. Still the Best

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-03-28 21:16:34 UTC
From: n3ham1
Topic: 2896 Message: 2896

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2897. Original PSU broke

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-04-06 13:47:25 UTC
From: mike.lee8520
Topic: 2897 Message: 2897

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The one at present is a 6volt 500ma it was used to power an LCD DVD player.

TIA,

Mike.

2898. Re: Original PSU broke

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-04-06 14:50:21 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 2897 Message: 2898

hi Mike,
perhaps I suspect a primary break for the original psu .
always go for a linear power supply(the one with a transformer and , either two or four diodes.
the HUM can be reduced by ensuring that, across each diode , there is one 0.1uF disc capacitor.In the absence of these capacitors, there would be power hum noticed in the audio, on short waves also, when a station is tuned.
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Also, it is better you have a regulated supply by using a supply of 9V AC transformer(that gives 12V DC)supported by an 7808 regulator chip with proper heatsink.
This arrangement helps to have a clean 8V regulated power to your radio.
All the best.

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2899. Re: [de1103] Original PSU broke

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-04-06 17:52:57 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 2897 Message: 2899

This is for the E5. Works great for my 1103!!!
http://www.shopetoncorp.com/detail/ETO+E5-ACA-US

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2900. Re: Still the Best

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Date: 2011-04-10 14:44:27 UTC
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I am thinking between CCRANE SWP,KAITO 1101 ,KAITO 1102 and KAITO 1103.

I already have Redsun RP 2100,Grundig S350,Sony 7600G, So Please advice me the right choice .

Thanks.

Dev

2901. Re: [de1103] Re: Still the Best

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-04-10 20:24:05 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 2896 Message: 2901

Hi. Based on reviews, I would recommend the Kaito KA1103.

ttyl

On 04/10/2011 09:44 AM, DevC wrote:
> --- Inde1103@yahoog

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Windows!

2902. Re: [de1103] Re: Still the Best

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-04-10 21:11:25 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2896 Message: 2902

I am happy with my 1103, but only on AM, it is hopeless in a location where there are a number of powerful FM stations. If it is FM performance you need where you do have a number of local FM stations, my pick would be the RP-2100. It performs very well using an outdoor antenna but there is more prone to overload with the inbuilt whip.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "Martin" <kb0hae@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 8:24 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Still the Best

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2903. Re: Still the Best

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-04-12 15:36:05 UTC
From: n3ham1
Topic: 2896 Message: 2903

I'm within a half mile of practically every FM station that serves my metropolitan area. There's also a daylight AM station nearby. Even my HF xcvrs aren't immune from interference. Of all the small portables with pre-amped front ends I own, the 1103 comes out better than the 1102,G5,G6,911,or Redsun RP300 (same as the CC Crane SWP), and in that order. The Redsun's volume control has the annoying attribute of jumping from a lower volume to a much higher volume (for me anyway) in one button press. It necessitates using a volume controlled cord for your headphones.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul" <format3nz@...> wrote:
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2904. Re: Still the Best

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-04-13 15:04:28 UTC
From: aircheckclover
Topic: 2896 Message: 2904

I'm in a similar RF environment and agree the 1103 is one of the best for DX while not overloading - on AM, FM & SW. I love the RP2100 but it is de-sensitized on FM due to RF saturation. Can run it on FM only with the antenna fully collapsed.

Didn't like the little Redsun/CCrane RP300 for same volume reasons.
The G5 has almost the same guts as the 1103. Just a different control surface and associated logic.

No experience w/ other radios.

Mark

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2905. DE1103 Overloading issues

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-04-23 12:43:56 UTC
From: ex_ex_ex_climatex
Topic: 2905 Message: 2905

Greetings folks,
I've observed some not-so-innocent overloading problems with my DEGEN DE1103: I was using the supplied 5 meter longwire antenna, attenuator switched off (that means, to the DX position) and tuned to various stations within the 3200-5000 kHz region, especially to the 4625 kHz frequency, which is known as the Russian "Buzzer" station (military/civil defense buzzing channel marker). I've experienced some sound distortion, especially with headphones on, sometimes also nasty intermodulation symptoms... For example: http://soundcloud.com/climatex/4625k - 4625 kHz is not a frequency for commercial broadcasters - this is a nice example of intermodulation due to input stage overloading.

I've also observed intermodulation on frequencies like 3873 kHz (two stations at once in a non-broadcasting band), or a 650kW longwave transmitter located 60km away from my place, transmitting on 270 kHz, was once found on my DE1103 at 10 050 kHz, which really surprised me - I have no other powerful transmitters in my area.

Well, my DE1103's issues appear only on shortwave with the external 5m antenna and with the attenuator in the DX position, switching it to LOCAL will fix these problems. The whip antenna does not cause these problems, plus LW, MW and FM bands do not seem to suffer from overloading/intermodulation at all.

I have been told that there's a fault in the newer circuit boards of the DE1103 receiver: the whip antenna preamplifier is connected also to the external antenna jack and this is overloading the input stage (the JFET transistor). Perhaps all DE1103s with the white-red CNR sticker in the front might be affected... I've tried to disconnect the preamplifier on the circuit board, it solved the overloading issues, however it introduced two minor quirks in the functionality so I reverted it back to the original setting.

Have you also experienced similar problems?

Best regards climatex

2906. Re: DE1103 Overloading issues

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-04-24 09:48:12 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2905 Message: 2906

Interesting. Where did you get the information about the whip pre-amp also amplifyng signals from teh antenna jack on recent units?

Jay

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "ex_ex_ex_climatex" <jozef.bogin@...> wrote:
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2907. Re: DE1103 Overloading issues

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-04-24 14:41:04 UTC
From: ex_ex_ex_climatex
Topic: 2905 Message: 2907

Here, pages 2 and 3 introduction to the problem:
http://users.hol.gr/~sv6czq/DEGEN%20DE1103%20modifications.pdfp

It firstly surfaced on radioscanner.ru as "degen de1103 mods", this PDF is a direct translation of the article itself.

-climatex

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jallenhartford2000" <jaypolicow@...> wrote:
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2908. Re: DE1103 Overloading issues

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-04-24 14:41:44 UTC
From: ex_ex_ex_climatex
Topic: 2905 Message: 2908

http://users.hol.gr/~sv6czq/DEGEN%20DE1103%20modifications.pdf sorry for the typo.

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2909. Loose antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-09 22:18:02 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2909 Message: 2909

I noticed my antenna was kind of loose....
so I took the screw out and carefully
squeezed the two sides (be careful there
is a washer). It tightened it up a little.

I put it back and it was still loose...
The looseness is where it pivots. Is there
a fix?

2910. Re: [de1103] Loose antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-09 22:21:08 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 2909 Message: 2910

Change the antenna. Your friendly e-bay seller
will provide you one (about $ 8 plus shipping)

Good luck

Moises

At 19:18 09/05/2011, you wrote:
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>
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>

Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

2911. Re: Loose antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-10 19:43:02 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2909 Message: 2911

Thanks TQ China wrote me from my post.

I tightened the screw in the back and
that fixed it. The whip antenna is still
too loose in the clevis fitting, but that
is OK. I can fix that my self.

TQ China wrote me back again and asked
for when I bought it. I think they may
just want info to see what batch was bad.

I have had it long enough to think it is
wear and tear.

Cheers.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moisés Knochen <moises.knochen@...> wrote:
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> Moises Knochen
> Montevideo, Uruguay
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2912. Re: [de1103] Re: Loose antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-10 23:02:54 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 2909 Message: 2912

Yes, there is a rumour that telescopic antenna
are a weak part of the Degen. I myself had to
change it once when it suddenly got dismantled...
bought 2 spares and used one. So far it did not break again.

Regards,

Moises

At 16:43 10/05/2011, you wrote:
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>that fixed it. The whip antenna is still
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Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

2913. New Radio Review Website

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-11 09:52:18 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2909 Message: 2913

Folks,
As a long time member of this group and long time contributor to radiointel I'd like you to check out my very own new website:

http://radiojayallen.com/

All my reviews and restoration articles are there along with some of my favorite links and I plan to be adding many new items in the coming weeks.

Please check it out and let me know what you think!

Thanks,
Jay Allen

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2914. What a great radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-11 15:18:09 UTC
From: Martyn
Topic: 2914 Message: 2914

Hi,

I've just received my 1103 (from tquchina, arrived in 7 days), I was after a small SW SSB/CW radio to replace my ATS 505 which has never served its purpose and is the family FM radio now.

This radio fits the bill perfectly!

At just under £50 delivered I am amazed, dual conversion and a narrow filter that works, sensitivity is excellent. FM quality is exceptional, listening to Classic FM and a silent passage in the music is just that - silent, no hiss at all in the audio chain.

Well I bought it for CW (morse) and I can resolve stations on 20 m no problem at all, switch in the narrow filter and away you go. SSB resolves very well and the BFO is very stable.

I've read lots of comments on the keys and volume control being silly, no complaints here. The volume control is easy to adjust and the keypad is a nice change from the old 'telephone' style.

One thing I never read which I think is brilliant - the memories. Stores the mode (SSB/AM) with the memory and not split into FM, SW sections so I can flick through the memories and go from FM stereo to Ham radio morse code in one turn - fantastic.

Well, I'm sure you all knew this anyway but I thought I'd post it to let any potential buyers know that this is a great little radio. A great shame it is only for sale via ebay but maybe that is to our advantage!

2915. Re: Loose antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-11 18:31:54 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2909 Message: 2915

I went back and tightened the screw at the
whip pivot and it's tight now. I had to get
a screw driver that fit better. Now all is
well, BUT I think I will take up TQChina up
on their offer to sell me one for $8 incl
shipping.

Thanks

PS:
To recap the two screws, one through pivot
and the one in the back an inch below the
antenna were tightened and all is good.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com,
Moisés Knochen <moises.knochen@...> wrote:
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> change it once when it suddenly got dismantled...
> bought 2 spares and used one. So far it did not
> break again.
>
> Regards,
>
> Moises

2916. Mine is 6" long...err....ferrite rod antenna that is.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-11 21:47:46 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2916 Message: 2916

This may be common knowledge, but the ferrite rod in the DE/KA1103 is a full 6 inches long! I took the back off to look at my loose antenna issue (which did not require taking to back off to fix). That is not bad. There are two windings, one about two inches from the end on the speaker edge. The other coil is towards the other end.

That is not the 9" in a GE Superadio but it's not bad.

2917. Re: [de1103] Re: Loose antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-11 23:57:46 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 2909 Message: 2917

Just for your information, in my 1103 the plastic
area where the antenna seats (where there is a
hole for the screw) broke when handling the
antenna. I had to rebuild it with epoxi.

So, two weak parts, the antenna itself and the case...

Then add the poor encoder, the unprotected FET in the front-end...

Oh... I miss the times when SW radios were Made in Germany or in Japan!

Moises

At 15:31 11/05/2011, you wrote:
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2918. Re: What a great radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-12 21:31:59 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2914 Message: 2918

Get a pair of REALLY good Full cup headphones and listen to FM stereo... AMAZING! I've never plugged mine into a stereo but I am sure it would sound amazing. Great FM tuner.

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2919. Re: Loose antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-12 21:36:48 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2909 Message: 2919

Thanks for the repair tip on the antenna Moisés,

What is this?

> Then add the poor encoder, the unprotected FET
> in the front-end...

Not sure?

Thanks.

PS:
You better look for some used Sony's before they are
all gone. They made many nice models, but as you know
they don't make much any more.

> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moisés Knochen
> <moises.knochen@...> wrote:
>
> Just for your information, in my 1103 the plastic
> area where the antenna seats (where there is a
> hole for the screw) broke when handling the
> antenna. I had to rebuild it with epoxy.
>
> So, two weak parts, the antenna itself and the case...
>
> Then add the poor encoder, the unprotected FET in the front-end...
>
> Oh... I miss the times when SW radios were Made in Germany or in
> Japan!
>
> Moises

2920. Re: [de1103] Re: Loose antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-12 22:14:24 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 2909 Message: 2920

Hi. The encoder is the knob that you tune etc... with. Early DE1103s had problems with the encoder. Early DE/KA1103 radios also lacked static protection diodes. These diodes help protect the radio from damage from static electricity that gets into the whip. My KA1103 has the diodes from the factory, but my G5 did not. I added them to the G5.

See the files and [hoto sections for this group, and the Eton E5 group for mpore info.

TTYL

On 05/12/2011 04:36 PM, Greg wrote:
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KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell
A Satisfied Aptosid Linux user! To get Aptosid go to: www.aptosid.com
They say that if you play a Microsoft CD backwards, you hear satanic voices. That's nothing, because if you play it forwards, it installs Windows!

2921. Re: What a great radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-13 09:31:21 UTC
From: Martyn
Topic: 2914 Message: 2921

Thanks for the advice.

The FM is the best I have heard for a very long time. I've just listened to Kraftwerk Autobahn express of BBC Radio 2 (a rarity) and it was exceptional quality.

I use cup headphones when operating but for portable listening I favour the HA-FX34 'marshmallow' headphones as I find their quality, fit and extremely low noise leakage very handy. I wish every iPod came with them!

I've started planning the memories on Excel and will start with your suggestion.

I agree with the AGC comment - very good. I have no issues with the volume control, I actually like it. My mute switch is the 'Off' button!

Best 73s

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2922. Re: [de1103] Re: What a great radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-13 20:21:15 UTC
From: David Lessard
Topic: 2914 Message: 2922

Does anyone have difficulty with overload on SSB? Sometimes it will be hard to tune (muffled sound) SSB as I think I am getting front end overloading. Wish the Degen had a AG control dial to control stronger signals.
--- On Fri, 5/13/11, Martyn <martynjones1@...> wrote:

From: Martyn <martynjones1@...>
Subject: [de1103] Re: What a great radio
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, May 13, 2011, 5:31 AM

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2923. Back stand

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-21 21:02:23 UTC
From: Linas D
Topic: 2923 Message: 2923

Hello everyone . SOmething bad happened. I broke the back stand. Can someone tell me how can i put it in again (i have fixed it now i have it like a spare part) ?

2924. RTP-Radio Portugal will stop SW broadcasting "temporarily"

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-22 13:46:25 UTC
From: Bruno
Topic: 2924 Message: 2924

Hello,
Unfortunately one more SW broadcaster is considering to leave the shortwaves.
RTP-Radio Portugal announced that will close "temporarily" the Short wave broadcasts, starting on 01 June 2011.
On a press release, RTP says that it will be a test period, and only after that they will declare the final decision. Althought I think it will be difficult to reopen the SW broadcasts due to economic difficulties, I still have the hope that if many listeners write RTP-Radio Portugal requesting for SW, maybe they reopen the SW broadcasts on reduced airtime or on special events (soccer).

You can sign the petition requesting the SW broadcasts to continue on
http://www.peticaopublica.com/PeticaoAssinar.aspx?pi=P2011N9010
and you can also send an email to:
rdp.internacional@...
rtp@...
or send a letter to
Av. Marechal Gomes da Costa, 37-bloco B □ 2º, 1849-030 Lisboa, Portugal.

Thanks for your time,
Bruno
Portugal

2926. Re: RTP-Radio Portugal will stop SW broadcasting "temporarily"

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-23 13:28:21 UTC
From: n3ham1
Topic: 2924 Message: 2926

It really seems ironic, never has the proliferation of low cost decent quality SW receivers been so great and the choice of SW broadcasting so diminished. I'm thankful that Radio Australia and RNZI are still active and readable in my area otherwise it would just be my ham activities.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Bruno" <bsmarado@...> wrote:
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>
> Thanks for your time,
> Bruno
> Portugal
>

2927. Recommended dealers?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-23 16:05:17 UTC
From: peter
Topic: 2927 Message: 2927

Hi List,

I am hoping to buy a DE1103/KA1103 soon and wonder if anyone can recommend a dealer in Hong Kong/China for me to use.

Also I would hope to receive the radio within the next 4 weeks, this maybe cutting things fine!

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Any advice or options welcome.

73,

Peter g3ufi Hastings UK

2928. Re: [de1103] Recommended dealers?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-23 17:25:53 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 2927 Message: 2928

Peter,

Try to contact Ebay-seller SUNSLF in China. I bought mine from him and I had excellent service: The first came in with a faulty light, he sent me a perfect new one before even receiving my return.

Shipping was very fast too: China-to-Belgium in 2 weeks.

Kind regards,

Bruno

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From: peter <peterconway.ndb@...>
Subject: [de1103] Recommended dealers?
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, May 23, 2011, 6:05 PM

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2929. RE: [de1103] Recommended dealers?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-23 18:26:00 UTC
From: Peter Conway
Topic: 2927 Message: 2929

Bruno,

Thanks for reply.

SUNSLF looks promising. Did you opt for the EMS (faster) delivery.

Kind regards,

Peter

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf
Of bruno geuth
Sent: 23 May 2011 17:26
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2930. RE: [de1103] Recommended dealers?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-23 19:54:51 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 2927 Message: 2930

No Peter, normal delivery and that took around 10 days to Belgium...

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2932. Are there any technical differences between the DE and KA?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-23 23:47:06 UTC
From: abcaliasxyz
Topic: 2932 Message: 2932

Hope all you 'long-timers' will endure my question cause while I have to believe it is occasionally repeated...I am unable to find the answer via archive searches. Many thanks. -Fred/Atlanta. P.S. And, is the price in USDollars about the same?

2933. Re: Are there any technical differences between the DE and KA?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-24 03:22:44 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 2932 Message: 2933

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "abcaliasxyz" <BikePackin@...> wrote:
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They are identical.

Leon

2935. Re: [de1103] Re: Are there any technical differences between the DE and KA?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-24 12:02:54 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2932 Message: 2935

As far as I am aware, the DE has Chinese characters on the control panel and the voltage for the wallwart is 220V where as the KA the controls are in English and the wallwart is 110V.

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: "Leon" <leon355@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 24, 2011 3:22 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Are there any technical differences between the DE and KA?

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2938. Re: [de1103] Re: Are there any technical differences between the DE and KA?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-24 20:54:23 UTC
From: Boisserie Jean-Christophe
Topic: 2932 Message: 2938

Hi !

Nay, the control panel is written in latin characters, and wallwart sent
by Tao Qu to France are 220V, but perhaps are 110V in 110V countries.

Regards.

Jean-Chris

Le 24/05/2011 14:02, Paul a ?crit :
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> Paul
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2940. Re: Are there any technical differences between the DE and KA?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-25 09:28:54 UTC
From: Don Boyd
Topic: 2932 Message: 2940

The KA is the official US import name...DE is rest of the world name and is gray market and will not get warranty support by the US dealers. I have a DE version bought 5 years ago and it has English alphabet and came with a 110 V power adapter.

Don

2942. Re: Are there any technical differences between the DE and KA?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-25 14:06:52 UTC
From: Martyn
Topic: 2932 Message: 2942

I have a Degen DE 1103 and all the front panel characters are in English

Martyn

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul" <format3nz@...> wrote:
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2943. Re: Are there any technical differences between the DE and KA?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-25 15:30:53 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2932 Message: 2943

No I am pretty sure either brand comes with
buttons in English or Chinese.

I have a kaito and buttons are in English.
I see the Degens have English buttons as well.

The manual is on the web in English. There is
no technical difference. They are made in the
same factory. The difference when I bought mine
was Kaito was more prevalent and cheaper on eBay.
Now I see Degen is more prevalent on eBay.

In general the Degen is the North American import
model. Most of the USA radio dealers sell the
Degen brand name. That may have changed.

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2944. Re: Are there any technical differences between the DE and KA?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-26 15:12:15 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2932 Message: 2944

I think that is reverse (could be wrong), but from
my observation "Degen" was the North American Import
brand name (as sold by official NA dealers), and
Kaito was the eBay special ... and common brand name
in other parts of the world.

When I was looking 3 yrs ago it was Kaito all day
on eBay and Degen from the radio dealers in USA.
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> is gray market and will not get warranty support by the US dealers. I
> have a DE version bought 5 years ago and it has English alphabet and
> came with a 110 V power adapter.
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> Don
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2945. Re: Recommended dealers?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-26 19:38:13 UTC
From: Peter Conway
Topic: 2927 Message: 2945

Hi list,

Many thanks to all who sent feedback on "recommended Dealers"

Advice much appreciated.

Regards,

Peter

2946. Re: Are there any technical differences between the DE and KA?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-27 09:35:30 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2932 Message: 2946

Sorry but you do have it reversed. Degen is one of the Chinese manufacturers, as ae Tecsun adn Redsun and KAITO USA is a North American importer for many Degen products. You may be confused by the fact that there are also some US-based eBay sellers who sell Degen products.

Jay

http://radiojayallen.com/

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Greg" <gmcjetpilot@...> wrote:
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2947. Re: Are there any technical differences between the DE and KA?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-28 18:07:55 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2932 Message: 2947

You may be right but don't be condescending and call me confused.

It's irrelevant, they all come out of the same factory, so to the question of this thread, NO, there is no difference, except the brand name they slap on it.

We established that both DE and KA come in English, USA 110 volt versions. Fact, that is all we need to know. The rest is conjecture.

Please don't put words in my mouth. There is no confusion on my part. 4 yrs ago I could not find a discounted DE1103 to save my life on eBay. The Kaito KA1103's were more common and cheaper on eBay at the time than Degen, so I bought one.

Both Degen and Kaito are freely sold on eBay now.

I admit that the fact Degens cost more from dealers in the USA at the time, and Kaitos were cheaper on eBay I assumed the Kaito was the grey market brand. It is just opinion but not confusion. I can assure you I looked for a deal and went with what I thought was "grey market" at the time, a Kaito KA1103

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Amazon sells many DEGENS as Kaito. Are they grey market?
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IF KAITO IS MARKETING AND SELLING IN THE USA THEY ARE DOING A BAD JOB.
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I admit I'm not sure (not confused), but you seem sure, so you win.

Cheers

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jallenhartford2000" <jaypolicow@...> wrote:
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2948. Re: Are there any technical differences between the DE and KA?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-29 11:00:13 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 2932 Message: 2948

I'm very sorry I did not mean to insult you.

Jay

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Greg" <gmcjetpilot@...> wrote:
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> You may be right but don't be condescending and
> call me confused.
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2949. help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-29 16:15:57 UTC
From: ARNAB SEN
Topic: 2949 Message: 2949

where can i found an authentic service manual for de1103?

2950. Re: [de1103] help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-29 18:05:02 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 2949 Message: 2950

On 29/05/2011 17:15, ARNAB SEN wrote:
> where can i found an authentic service manual for de1103?

I don't think there is one. A schematic is available.

Leon
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Leon Heller
G1HSM

2951. Re: [de1103] help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-29 18:36:01 UTC
From: aimo ruoho
Topic: 2949 Message: 2951

please try ask : tquchina@...

I bought my 1103 from him straight from China and paid about half of the usual price. he sells them through ebay.
this radio is so cheap, that it might be best to buy a new one before trying to repair it... Buy 2 to be sure. If you ask any professional for the price of repair, it is usually more than 100 USD or EURos.
If you are a good professional, you might not need any handbook?
I own one 1103 in perfect condition.
73 from ami

From: ARNAB SEN <vu2cmv_arnab@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, May 29, 2011 6:15 PM
Subject: [de1103] help

where can i found an authentic service manual for de1103?

2952. RE: [de1103] help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-29 18:46:16 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2949 Message: 2952

Hi Aimo,

Thank you...^_^

Hi Arnab,

Per my known, the manufactuer (Degen company) doesn't provide the service manual for this DE1103 radio. But if you have any questions or anything help needed, please list here, there are many people are experienced and warm-hearted to help you in this group, and I will try my best to help you also.

Have a nice day!

Best Regards,
- Tao Qu

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of aimo ruoho
Sent: Monday, May 30, 2011 2:36 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] help

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Sent: Sunday, May 29, 2011 6:15 PM
Subject: [de1103] help

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2953. I Have Plans On Getting A New De 1103 or Kaito 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-29 21:16:28 UTC
From: Adam E
Topic: 2953 Message: 2953

I have plans on getting a De 1103 or Kaito 1103 for my shortwave radio listening. I like it cause I heard great reviews about that the FM broadcast band sensitivity is good on this radio, and the long wave band goes down to 100 kHz, and with a special tip you can tune it down to 1 kHz. I want to get this radio cause it maybe the best investment until I can get some more money to buy other radios. I listen to shortwave most of the time such as WWCR, and Radio China International, and Radio Havana Cuba, also I listen to pirate radio stations sometimes on 6925. Is this radio good for AM DXing, and SW pirate listening? Is this radio better than the Grundig G3 and G5? I also listen to weak signals on the long wave band at night such as non directional beacons and broadcast. Welcome me, I am new here.

Adam Ebel
Virginia Beach, VA

2954. Re: help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-29 21:34:43 UTC
From: Robert G
Topic: 2949 Message: 2954

There is a schematic in the "Files" for this group.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Leon Heller <leon355@...> wrote:
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> On 29/05/2011 17:15, ARNAB SEN wrote:
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> Leon
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2955. Re: [de1103] I Have Plans On Getting A New De 1103 or Kaito 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-29 22:57:06 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2953 Message: 2955

Hi Adam

I bought a Kaito KA 1103 on the strength of the radio's performance on FM, if you live in a metropolitan area where there are many FM stations, this is definitely NOT the radio for you. The sensitivity may well be good but its selectivity is very poor. It is very prone to overloading which is so bad, for DX purposes, the radio is next to useless. It does not matter if you are using the whip or an external antenna, the result is the same. Performance on MW & SW is excellent.

Don't read too much into any reviews you may find on any radio, treat them as a guide only. A performance review is only an indication as to how the radio performed at the reviewer's location. For example, if the reviewer lived in a location where there were few or no local FM stations, the overload problem would not appear.

If you want adequate performance on FM, the RedSun RP-2100 would be a better bet which I also have. This radio is also subject to some FM overloading using the whip antenna but will give very good results when it is connected to a three element outdoor FM antenna.
In addition, the RedSun is a slightly better performer than the Kaito/Degen on MW & SW because of its slightly better signal to noise ratio. Sensitivity wise, one radio is as good as the other.

The findings above have been based on what I found with living in a metropolitan area with 15 local FM stations and around seven AM stations located close by.

Hope this helps.

Paul
Christchurch, NZ.

----- Original Message -----
From: "Adam E" <gccengineering@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, May 30, 2011 9:16 AM
Subject: [de1103] I Have Plans On Getting A New De 1103 or Kaito 1103

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2956. Re: [de1103] I Have Plans On Getting A New De 1103 or Kaito 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-30 03:19:44 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 2953 Message: 2956

On 29/05/2011 23:57, Paul wrote:
> Hi Adam
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Selectivity isn't really relevant for FM, because of the FM capture
effect. The strongest signal will always be received. I'm a mile from
the local transmitter and have never noticed any overloading.

Leon
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Leon Heller
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2957. Re: [de1103] I Have Plans On Getting A New De 1103 or Kaito 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-30 04:55:31 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2953 Message: 2957

Hi Leon

The ability of being able to hear a weaker DX signal in amongst the slop from local stations is relevant which was the reason I bought mine for. As it turned out, the performance on MW & SW more than makes up for the problem with FM. I only wish this type of radio was available when I started DXing in the 70s.

Only one local FM transmitter? You are lucky, that would account for the lack of overloading. I just ran a count, counting the one which came on air a couple of weeks ago, there are 21 locals on FM plus numerous low power FM stations all over the city.

Paul
ZL2UCI

----- Original Message -----
From: "Leon Heller" <leon355@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, May 30, 2011 3:19 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] I Have Plans On Getting A New De 1103 or Kaito 1103

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2958. Re: [de1103] I Have Plans On Getting A New De 1103 or Kaito 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-30 04:59:50 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 2953 Message: 2958

On 30/05/2011 05:55, Paul wrote:
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> in the 70s.

As I said, The FM capture effect is inherent to that type of modulation
and there is no way round it.

Leon
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Leon Heller
G1HSM

2959. RE: [de1103] help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-31 04:21:22 UTC
From: ARNAB SEN
Topic: 2949 Message: 2959

Dear Tao Qu,
Thanks for your reply. My Degen1103 radio is destroyed by the chemicals inside batteries. It happened when the alkaline batteries were accidentally put on charging. Now if the batteries are connected display is there but the radio cannot be turned on by switching on the radio.I think the keypad below the display is damaged. Can it be repaired?

--- On Mon, 30/5/11, Tao Qu <tquchina@...> wrote:

From: Tao Qu <tquchina@...>
Subject: RE: [de1103] help
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Monday, 30 May, 2011, 12:16 AM

Hi Aimo,

Thank you...^_^

Hi Arnab,

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provide the service manual for this DE1103 radio. But if you have any
questions or anything help needed, please list here, there are many people
are experienced and warm-hearted to help you in this group, and I will try my
best to help you also.

Have a nice day!

Best Regards,
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Monday, May 30, 2011 2:36 AM
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this radio is so cheap, that it might be best to buy a new one before
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If you are a good professional, you might not need any
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I own one 1103 in perfect condition.
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From: ARNAB SEN
<vu2cmv_arnab@...>
To: de1103@...m
Sent: Sunday, May 29, 2011 6:15
PM
Subject: [de1103]
help

where can i found an authentic service manual for
de1103?

2960. Re: [de1103] help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-31 09:51:05 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 2949 Message: 2960

Hi Arnab. Possibly you could clean the chemicals out. Since these chemicals are dangerous and destructive in nature, chances are that the radio is beyond repair. If you do try to repair the radio, use rubber gloves and eye protection! If you get any of these chemicals on you, wash with cold water at once.

Good luck, and be safe!

On 05/30/2011 11:21 PM, ARNAB SEN wrote:
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but yourself!!!

2961. Re: [de1103] I Have Plans On Getting A New De 1103 or Kaito 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-31 07:20:08 UTC
From: Dennis Fithian
Topic: 2953 Message: 2961

First off, welcome to the group.

I have the Degen branded version of this fun little box. As far as I can tell, the major difference between them, aside from the name is the Kaitos are branded for the US direct market, while the Degens are available from China via Ebay and a few other outlets outside the US.

Here in central California I can easily, and with good copyability, pick up RCI out of Sackville with very little fading, though using this website - http://www.short-wave.info/ , I think I'm pretty much in the middle of the broadcast beam. Radio Havana booms in quite well here also. For antennas, due to heavy foliage and a relatively small lot in downtown Fresno I'm limited to the external whip and a TG34 loop, which works quite well inside the shack. The loop in particular does seem to null quite a bit of the RFI I have here. I've managed Austrialia and New Zealand on some nights.

AM broadcast seems to be okay, though I haven't gone looking for KOA out of Denver (which I could easily pick up on a '70s vintage AM/FM radio in a '73 Merc I owned 20 years ago). I have managed, though through a lot of RFI locally produced here in the downtown area, to nab Reno and Las Vegas on good nights, though with some fade.

As to the G3 and 5, I have no experience with them.

LW seems to be somewhat doable though with the antennas I have, it's not really fair to judge it. I do get Chandler Airport loud and clear, but as it's a whole 3 miles away, that's not really anything to judge the radio's capabilities by. I do hear a few others, but haven't ID'd them yet, so no real answer there as to sensitivity.

As to quirks, it does have a couple. The volume control is a bit awkward, but practice will make it a bit more instinctive. Memories, while there are plenty, are a bit awkward also. You can charge the supplied batteries while listening, but I have picked up a bit of hash from the transformer. It doesn't have an auto-charge feature, you have to tell it how long to charge. I really recommend a separate set of AAs and a separate charger.

Construction quality is pretty good, though there is a mod out there to shield some of the components that occasionally spit out some hash. Never really felt the need to perform the surgery involved myself though. I've dropped the radio a few times and the cat has provided more durability testing by pulling it off the table by the attached wrist strap. The radio is fine, so I don't see the need to feel too nervous about handling it.

All in all, if you can get it delivered for less than $100 US, I think it's a good investment, not only as a starter, but as a keeper. It does have the fairly small size which while not for a pants or shirt pocket, I've found it fits comfortably in a large coat pocket for trips and outside listening.

From: Adam E
Sent: Sunday, May 29, 2011 2:16 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com

Subject: [de1103] I Have Plans On Getting A New De 1103 or Kaito 1103

I have plans on getting a De 1103 or Kaito 1103 for my shortwave radio listening. I like it cause I heard great reviews about that the FM broadcast band sensitivity is good on this radio, and the long wave band goes down to 100 kHz, and with a special tip you can tune it down to 1 kHz. I want to get this radio cause it maybe the best investment until I can get some more money to buy other radios. I listen to shortwave most of the time such as WWCR, and Radio China International, and Radio Havana Cuba, also I listen to pirate radio stations sometimes on 6925. Is this radio good for AM DXing, and SW pirate listening? Is this radio better than the Grundig G3 and G5? I also listen to weak signals on the long wave band at night such as non directional beacons and broadcast. Welcome me, I am new here.

Adam Ebel
Virginia Beach, VA

2962. Re: [de1103] I Have Plans On Getting A New De 1103 or Kaito 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-31 14:10:24 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 2953 Message: 2962

Hi Dennis. For an outdoor antenna, you might try some mini-coax cable run outside for a few feet. Connect a wire to the center wire of the coax and run it through the foliage. On the inside end, solder the center wire to the tip of a mono 1/8 inch phone plug. Solder the shield braid to the sleeve of the connector.

Similar antennas have worked for me in the past, helping get rid of some of the RFI from inside the house. I am fortunate to live where there is not much RFI. RCI, RNZI, and Radio Australia have always been easy to hear on the whip. RFI is the biggest problem for many Shortwave listeners today. That and the incessant t-storms here in the midwest lately!

TTYL

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2963. RE: [de1103] help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-31 18:03:19 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2949 Message: 2963

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From: ARNAB SEN [mailto:vu2cmv_arnab@...]
Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2011 12:21 PM
To: tquchina@...
Cc: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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2964. RE: [de1103] help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-05-31 20:17:44 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2949 Message: 2964

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From: Tao Qu <tquchina@...>
Subject: RE: [de1103] help
To: "'ARNAB SEN'" <vu2cmv_arnab@...>
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2965. RE: [de1103] help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-06-01 03:17:59 UTC
From: ARNAB SEN
Topic: 2949 Message: 2965

Dear OM Boby,
Thanks for replying to my e-mail. I will certainly try out your suggestions and inform you .73s
ARNAB SEN (VU2CMV)
INDIA
--- On Wed, 1/6/11, Bob Yorston <bobyorston@...> wrote:

From: Bob Yorston <bobyorston@...>
Subject: RE: [de1103] help
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Date: 2011-06-01 03:22:47 UTC
From: ARNAB SEN
Topic: 2949 Message: 2966

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-06-01 10:08:49 UTC
From: john
Topic: 2949 Message: 2967

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http://www.ehow.com/how_5438045_clean-alkaline-battery-corrosion.html

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2968. RE: [de1103] help

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-06-01 14:45:33 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 2949 Message: 2968

Hi Arnab,

If possible, please send a picture of the damaged pcb to me
tquchina@....

- Tao Qu

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
john
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> > de1103@yahoogroups.com <mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com> Subject: Re:
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> > please try ask : tquchina@... <mailto:tquchina%40yahoo.com>
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> > I bought my 1103 from him straight from China and paid about half of
> > the usual price. he sells them through ebay. this radio is so cheap,
> > that it might be best to buy a new one before trying to repair it...
> > Buy 2 to be sure. If you ask any professional for the price of
> > repair, it is usually more than 100 USD or EURos. If you are a good
> > professional, you might not need any handbook? I own one 1103 in
> > perfect condition. 73 from ami
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> > From: ARNAB SEN <vu2cmv_arnab@...
<mailto:vu2cmv_arnab%40yahoo.co.in> > To:
> > de1103@yahoogroups.com <mailto:de1103%40yahoogroups.com> Sent: Sunday,
May 29, 2011 6:15 PM Subject:

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> > where can i found an authentic service manual for de1103?
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>They say that if you play a Microsoft CD backwards, you hear satanic
>voices. That's nothing, because if you play it forwards, it installs
>Windows! Best privacy policy: Never Ever entrust your data to anyone
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2969. 6 weeks old and the Aerial mount has loosened!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-06-17 14:24:54 UTC
From: Martyn
Topic: 2969 Message: 2969

Such a shame the whip antenna as come adrift of its mounting, the flange to keep the aerial in the socket has widened too much.

I've used a vice to put it back in (after removing it from the receiver!!!) and re-crimped the surround but I think once it's gone it will always be prone to coming apart.

I've seen others have purchased replacements - were these any better?

Thanks
Martyn

2970. Re: [de1103] 6 weeks old and the Aerial mount has loosened!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-06-17 23:39:25 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 2969 Message: 2970

Martyn,
the antenna is one of the (several) weak points of this receiver.

Superb as the electronic design may be, the
construction of the receiver is flimsy and the
quality control is nonexistent, despite all the
"QC" stickers they may put on the radio.

Also I suspect they are using cheaper,
second-class semiconductors inside. This could
explain some sudden unexpected failures. I had to
trash one of the two DE-1103 I had because a
uncontrolable howling it developed in about two years of use.

Those lucky owners of a well-behaved DE-1103 should celebrate!

Tecsun seems to be producing more robust
receivers than Degen, but they suffer from the same lack of quality control.

Regards,

Moises

At 11:24 17/06/2011, you wrote:
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Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

2971. Re: 6 weeks old and the Aerial mount has loosened!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-06-18 00:56:06 UTC
From: Robert G
Topic: 2969 Message: 2971

I've had no trouble with mine, but I am buying a replacement whip as a precaution. It only costs 7.90 USD plus 4.00 shipping from China.
Well worth it, I think.

A few years back, I ruined the whip of a perfectly fine Sangean ATS 803a by trying to squeeze the base of the whip to get it tighter.

Here's the link:

http://shop.ebay.com/liypn/m.html?_nkw=&_armrs=1&_from=&_ipg=25

Best,

RG from California

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Martyn" <martynjones1@...> wrote:
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2972. Re: 6 weeks old and the Aerial mount has loosened!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-06-18 14:53:23 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2969 Message: 2972

I have had mine 5 years and no problem. You can order a replacement as some one said.

If I may suggest you don't use the whip all the time up and down, in and out (no pun intended). Either set it up on a table with the antenna deployed and leave it, AND>OR use the plug in antenna, the 30' that comes with it. When you do handle the whip be gentle.

Better get the DE31MS, KA33, TG34 or what ever the number is for the amplified loop antenna, about $20 to the door. That is a FAR better antenna than the whip.

For FM I never need to pull the antenna out unless I am going for a 85 mile distant fringe FM station.

Obviously for MW it uses the internal loop (unless you do the "HACK" and connect MW to the antenna jack with some unofficial button pushing).

2973. Re: [de1103] Re: 6 weeks old and the Aerial mount has loosened!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-06-18 20:54:57 UTC
From: john
Topic: 2969 Message: 2973

Can someone who has experience with these share the results? Are they any better than clipping a 10" wire on the whip, or using the supplied wire antenna?

Thanks
John

At 10:53 AM 6/18/2011, you wrote:
>DE31MS, KA33, TG34

2974. Re: [de1103] Re: 6 weeks old and the Aerial mount has loosened!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-06-18 22:00:10 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2969 Message: 2974

Hi - I have struck a couple of these, where the telescopic section and ball joint has actually pulled out of the fixed section in the case. It seems to be a matter of the amount of leverage one gets when the antenna is extended and is also in contact with the top of the case. Unfortunately, I have only two solutions - both involving removing the rear of the case (7 screws, including the one in the battery compatment - don't remove the screw at the base of the antenna until you get the back off.) Then you have the choice of replacing the antenna, or using a pair of side-cutters, carefully re-do the crimping below the ball joint.
I note that some people have suggested using DE31, etc. While these can help, under some conditions - if one is trying to DX in shocking conditions, it is notable that any receivers like the DE1103 have a front end which is "as broad as the proverbial barn door". There are several ways of overcoming this - obviously by putting a small amount of gain, with nice sharp tuning, in front of the radio - minimising noise pickup. The DE31 attempts to do this. An MFJ-1020(A,B,C) is perhaps a better way out for SWL (pricey - try 2nd-hand on eBay).. For MW/LW there used to be a similar unit which used a large, tuned ferrite rod with a small amount of gain - mainly impedance-matching - after the antenna. I forget who manufactured these, so I "rolled my own" - beauty!
Of course, to use the antenna input terminal below 1.7MHz, you must put the radio into the 0-100KHz mode, as described in many places. This engages the antenna terminal, and then you carefully tune to wherever.....
Sorry - maybe I've said too much - happy listening!
Bob.

--- On Sun, 19/6/11, Greg <gmcjetpilot@...> wrote:

From: Greg <gmcjetpilot@...>
Subject: [de1103] Re: 6 weeks old and the Aerial mount has loosened!
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Received: Sunday, 19 June, 2011, 12:53 AM

I have had mine 5 years and no problem. You can order
a replacement as some one said.

If I may suggest you don't use the whip all the time
up and down, in and out (no pun intended). Either set
it up on a table with the antenna deployed and leave
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2975. Re: 6 weeks old and the Aerial mount has loosened!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-06-20 13:20:36 UTC
From: Martyn
Topic: 2969 Message: 2975

All,

Thanks for the advice, much appreciated!

I will make sure the whip is not rotated vertically when the 1103 is in its 'reclined' position, this is the root cause of the problem and now I've found out the hard way, I can try to make sure I don't make the same mistake twice!

As I use my radio portable for Amateur band reception, the whip is used a lot but I will consider using a couple of meters of wire and a croc clip when I can.

The other alternative would be to 're-shape' the case by the whip so the whip can be vertical when the radio is laying on its rear mount but I think it would make a hole in the case so I'll steer clear of that idea.

I now have now found something good about my Sangean ATS-505 - it's case is curved so the whip can be rotated without damaging it, I knew there was one redeeming feature.

As to the build quality of the 1103. An old friend of mine worked in China for two years as a Quality Engineer and his words were.....

"China, though, is a not as expected. From the outside it's awesome and grand, but get up close and you see the lack of finesse and attention to detail. Unfortunately, this can also be seen in their manufactured products. Although capable, their standards, acceptable to themselves, are short of what we would expect in the west. Once you realize that you don't get overly disappointed with them."

So with those sage words I will sign off and order a replacement aerial for the 1103 I'm eternally grateful works well!

Martyn

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Bob Yorston <bobyorston@...> wrote:
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2976. 1103 while IN car using 'stock' antenna worked well / fyi

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-06-27 16:12:00 UTC
From: abcaliasxyz
Topic: 2976 Message: 2976

Simply am reporting, what to me was a little surprising, - a normal reception for my 1103 while traveling by car using the external antenna that came with the Kaito. I was fully prepared to get only poor reception thinking the car chassis would cause some type of interference. It did not. I drapped the external wire antenna from the front passenger side window diagonally across the roof and down into the trunk (btw, none of this did any apparent damage to the antenna wire). I could even hear the CBers. Fred (Atlanta).

2977. Re: 1103 while IN car using 'stock' antenna worked well / fyi

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-06-28 13:58:14 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2976 Message: 2977

>"abcaliasxyz" <BikePackin@...> wrote:
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> the front passenger side window diagonally across
> the roof and down INTO the trunk (btw, none of this
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> even hear the CBers. Fred (Atlanta)

Interesting, it no doubt works for local CB'ers.
27 Mhz, center of CB band, 1/4th wave is 8.67'.
That goes into 30' over three times. So 30' is
about 3/4th to 7/8th wave. I am guessing SW
reception is not very good? (could be wrong)

I think the reception is more to the credit
of the excellent DE1103, than the antenna alone.

Did you try just the built in antenna extended,
with the radio sitting in the passenger seat?
Cars have lots of glass and it might work as
well? It's no doubt a trade off, longer antenna
horizontally polarized laying on metal verses
a vertical aerial.

Do you compare just using the built in telescopic
antenna extended in the car. Most cars have a lot
of glass. You might find it does as well?

Here is an idea. Get some PVC pipe and attach
one vertically to the front bumper, one to the
back, just enough to extend past the body of the
car. Stretched wire Ant out window, to the front
bumper PVC pipe (not laying on car), then back,
across the roof (if you can put some standoff),
to back PVC pipe. For CB you want about 35'.
I am beating you will get SW and even MW with this
set up.

If the front back poles were thin fiberglass rods
painted same color as car it would not look too
weird. ha ha!

2978. Re: 1103 while IN car using 'stock' antenna worked well / fyi

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-06-28 17:52:44 UTC
From: abcaliasxyz
Topic: 2976 Message: 2978

Nope, did not try the telescopic *... will do so the next trip (wherein I am in the passenger seat :-) or hope to hear from someone of us that picks up on this suggestion by Greg, before I or Greg have a chance try this 'field test.' Reception with the Ext. Ant. was so fine did not even think about it believe it or not. Would be easier to set up, but our ol'hound dog might have jumped about on it and broken the telescopic the more I think about it. [:)]

Man, you are resouceful and enterprising. That design ** is probably a little beyond my paygrade, while interesting.

I'm thinking we outta going ahead and paint on some tastefully designed lightning bolts *** !

- Fred / Atlanta.

"Greg" <gmcjetpilot@...> wrote:

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2979. Re: [de1103] Re: 1103 while IN car using 'stock' antenna worked well / fyi

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-06-28 20:32:33 UTC
From: John H. Carver Jr.
Topic: 2976 Message: 2979

Before I got the in dash shortwave I always laid a portable on the dash
and extended the whip out across the windshield above the dash.

John

abcaliasxyz wrote:
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> Nope, did /not/ try the telescopic *... will do so the next trip
> (wherein I am in the passenger seat :-) or hope to hear from someone
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> fine did not even think about it believe it or not. Would be easier
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2980. De1103 damaged by battery leakage

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-06-30 11:41:44 UTC
From: ARNAB S
Topic: 2980 Message: 2980

Dear Friends,
My DEGEN DE1103 which was damaged(I Thought) by leakage of Alkaline battery is started to work somewhat. Thanks to suggestions by some group members. Now the problem is most of it's switches are not working properly. Volume knob is not working. on pressing it, radio get's switched off or on .Sleep switch is also doing the same.band+- switch is locking the keyboard. Hold key is also doing the same. Now I can only listen to FM broadcast at vol 40 nothing else. Can it be revive anymore. I have cleaned the pcb with water and iso-propyl alcohol then dried it using hair dryer at lowest temp. The radio didnot started as soon as I switched it on. I put in new battery, used thr RESET switch multiple times but nothing worked but somehow it started to show the time which I later adjusted and it is working fine. I then applied SLEEP+RESET+HOLD+TIME Switch together a multiple times. Nothing happened. I kept the radio on the shelf and went to sleep. next day as soon as I put it on Fm reception I got. Now for last threee days it is working that way. no other improvement seen and i am looking for suggestions. Thanks and best wishes
ARNAB (VU2CMV)

2981. Re: [de1103] De1103 damaged by battery leakage

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-06-30 12:57:06 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2980 Message: 2981

Hi Arnab - Well, you are progressing gradually. Before you bother to get down to clean the push-buttons, which is hard work, and may also involve re-coating the conductive rubber with graphite from a pencil, you may consider - I had one unit which wouldn't reset properly until I pressed the RESET, and held it down while removing all power - easier done with a power supply and the batteries removed.
Regards,
Bob, VK2CAN.

--- On Thu, 30/6/11, ARNAB S <vu2cmv_arnab@...> wrote:

From: ARNAB S <vu2cmv_arnab@yahoo.co.in>
Subject: [de1103] De1103 damaged by battery leakage
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Received: Thursday, 30 June, 2011, 9:41 PM

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2982. Re: De1103 damaged by battery leakage

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-06-30 13:17:33 UTC
From: J.C do LimÃ£o
Topic: 2980 Message: 2982

Hello Friend
Look very carefully and dry with the dryer for directing loge Hot Air's
battery compartment, probably still has moisture inside the radio npo.
Good luck
Joao Carlos
SP / SP Brazil
Blog: http://qsldorasil.blogspot.com/

--- Em de1103@yahoogroups.com, Bob Yorston <bobyorston@...> escreveu:
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> Hi Arnab - Bem, você está progredindo gradualmente. Antes de
você se incomoda de descer para limpar os botões, que é um
trabalho árduo, e pode também envolver re-revestimento de borracha
condutora com grafite de um lápis, você pode considerar - Eu tinha
uma unidade que não repor adequadamente até que eu pressionou o
RESET, e segurou-a para baixo, removendo todo o poder - mais fácil
feito com uma fonte de alimentação e as pilhas removidas.
> Atenciosamente,
> Bob, VK2CAN.
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> --- On Thu, 30/6/11, Arnab vu2cmv_arnab S @ ... escreveu:
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> From: Arnab vu2cmv_arnab S @ ...
> Subject: [de1103] De1103 danificados por vazamento da bateria
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Recebido: quinta-feira, 30 de junho, 2011, 21:41
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> Caros Amigos,
> Meu DEGEN DE1103 que foi danificado (I Thought) pelo vazamento de
pilhas alcalinas é começou a trabalhar um pouco. Graças a
sugestões por parte de alguns membros do grupo. Agora o problema é
mais do que é opções não estão funcionando corretamente.
Botão de volume não está funcionando. em pressioná-lo, o

rádio se é desligado ou o interruptor do sono também está
fazendo o same.band + -. switch é bloquear o teclado. Segure a tecla
também está fazendo o mesmo. Agora eu só posso ouvir a
transmissão em FM vol nada 40 mais. Pode ser revive mais. Eu limpei o
PCB com água e iso-propílico, em seguida, secas lo usando secador
de cabelo com o menor temp. O rádio didnot iniciado logo que eu
mudei-lo. Eu coloquei na bateria novos, usados â□□â□□botão
RESET thr várias vezes, mas nada funcionou, mas de alguma forma ele
começou a mostrar o tempo que eu depois ajustado e ele está
funcionando bem. Eu, então, aplicada SLEEP + RESET + Hold Time +
Switch juntos um várias vezes. Nada aconteceu. Eu mantive o rádio
na prateleira e fui dormir. dia seguinte, logo
> Como eu colocá-lo na recepção Fm que eu tenho. Agora, para durar
três dias que está trabalhando dessa forma. nenhuma melhoria
outros viram e eu estou procurando sugestões. Obrigado e os melhores
desejos
> Arnab (VU2CMV)
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2983. Inductive connection with outdoor antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-07-03 03:25:04 UTC
From: Robert G
Topic: 2983 Message: 2983

My Grundig G 5--basically same as DE 1103--performs extremely well off the whip alone so long as my 45' outdoor antenna is connected to nearby equipment (a Panasonic RF 2800 and an antenna tuner). Signals are good; background noise is low. As soon as I disconnect the antenna signals drop off drastically.

On the other hand, if I connect the antenna directly, using the external antenna jack, and use the antenna tuner to boot, signals are strong but noisy, and maybe not as good as with the whip in conjunction with a long outdoor antenna.

How does this work? I am not sure why I am getting the results that I am.

2984. Re: [de1103] Inductive connection with outdoor antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-07-03 04:00:19 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2983 Message: 2984

Possibly you'd get the same effect by winding a few turns of insulated wire round the radio, connecting one end to earth, and the other end to the 45' antenna. This way you are electromagnetically coupling the antenna to the radio - hopefully transferring more of the electromagnetic signal than the electrostatic signal. The latter would contain more of the interference and other garbage.
Bob.

--- On Sun, 3/7/11, Robert G <rgorsch@...> wrote:

From: Robert G <rgorsch@...>
Subject: [de1103] Inductive connection with outdoor antenna
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Received: Sunday, 3 July, 2011, 1:25 PM

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2985. Re: [de1103] Inductive connection with outdoor antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-07-03 05:19:13 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 2983 Message: 2985

Wrapping wire around the radio would work for improving reception on medium wave because of the ferrite rod antenna, as the shortwave antenna is connected to the whip it shouldn't have any effect.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: Bob Yorston
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, July 03, 2011 4:00 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Inductive connection with outdoor antenna

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Subject: [de1103] Inductive connection with outdoor antenna
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Received: Sunday, 3 July, 2011, 1:25 PM

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2986. Re: Inductive connection with outdoor antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-07-03 09:53:02 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2983 Message: 2986

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2987. Re: [de1103] Re: Inductive connection with outdoor antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-07-03 12:44:42 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 2983 Message: 2987

Well - almost.....
Yes, a tuned loop like the DE31MS is a distinct improvement over a length of wire, as the loop mainly picks up electromagnetic radiation - the wire picks up electrostatic, which is where most of the noise/interference/garbage is, but if you think back to valve radios, a ferrite-rod antenna was a hell of a lot better than even the best loop. The fatter the rod, generally the higher the Q, and the better pickup. If one wants to get rid of the last bit of garbage, a shield around the whole lot - earthed, but slit, so no shorted turns - has got to be the way to go. Actually, I have such a beast - 3/4" X 9" rod with many switched coils, an emitter-follower after the tuning gang (before the days of decent FET's) and it's still marvellous.
However, if you don't wish to go to such an extent (but why doesn't anyone manufacture these?), any low-gain, high-Q tuned pre-amp gives you one great advantage noise-wise, as the front end of any of these synthesised receivers nowadays is as broad as the proverbial barn door. They may be very sensitive, and their IF bandwidths may be sharp, but if there's enough garbage or interfering signal at the front end to cross-modulate with your desired signal, it doesn't matter what you do with the IF - the damage is done!
Bob.
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2988. Re: [de1103] Re: Inductive connection with outdoor antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-07-03 14:02:44 UTC
From: john
Topic: 2983 Message: 2988

You can achieve antenna gain over the stock antenna by just wrapping several turns of insulated wire over the whip antenna, and stringing the other end out as a random wire.

Given that the filtering in the Degen is not that of a 2000$ tabletop , at some point (probably not too far down the road) overload issues will overwhelm any benefit from a stronger RF input .

That having been said, it's a cheap experiment!

John

2989. Re: [de1103] Re: Inductive connection with outdoor antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-07-04 03:25:55 UTC
From: robert gorsch
Topic: 2983 Message: 2989

Hi Greg:

Thanks for your detailed exploration of this situation.

Answers to questions: I do not in fact have the RF 2800 turned on or tuned into anything. The Antenna tuner doesn't seem to have any effect on the signal to the G5/1103. But as soon as unhook the antenna from the RF 2800/ATU system, the signal drops off.

I tried the idea of wrapping coils of insulated wire around the wire and this does work in much the same way, except that attaching a ground to the other end of the wire, as suggested by one poster, doesn't help and in fact introduces noise. Using power from the AC Adaptor degrades the signal, so this is one of those battery only provides clean signal situations.

Have you tried the Degen magnet loop antenna on shortwave?

Thanks,

RG

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From: Greg <gmcjetpilot@...>
Subject: [de1103] Re: Inductive connection with outdoor antenna
To: de1103@...m
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2990. looking to trade degen 1103 for dx-440 or 803a

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-07-09 13:29:58 UTC
From: sandyscamper101
Topic: 2990 Message: 2990

I own a Degen 1103 and looking to trade for Realistic DX-440 or Sangean 803A in good working condition. I use to own a DX-440 about 4 years ago, and enjoyed it. My Degen 1103 is in very good condition. Only issue is the flip stand in back came off, I still have it, but it won't snap in...tab broke. Degen has an ac adapter, carrying case. Works on all bands. The Degen originally replaced my DX-440, but I miss the DX-440 as like the older radios. So if anyone has a used DX-440 or 803A feel free to email me for possible trade. Non-smoker.

2991. My DE1103 died.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-07-14 08:18:18 UTC
From: masteratyoon
Topic: 2991 Message: 2991

Dear All,
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REGARDS,

2992. Re: [de1103] My DE1103 died.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-07-14 23:24:38 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 2991 Message: 2992

Hi,
one obvious detail to check is it the antenna
attenuator was not left in the "local" position by mistake.

Other than this, there are several reports that
strange things happen now and then to this
receiver. Try resetting it, several times if necessary.

If this does not work, try taking the batteries
out and wait for one or two days before
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see if the problem is cured. Some people reports
that this sometimes helps to solve problems arising from firmware errors.

Of course there is some possibility that this
will not help. Try searching in this forum to see
if somebody reported a similar problem and how it was solved.

Unfortunately I have read of several dead or
malfunctioning 1103s (I have one) and I suspect
they are using poor quality components to build these receivers

Please tell us about the results of your efforts

Good luck!

Moises

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Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

2993. Re: My DE1103 died.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-07-15 04:13:48 UTC
From: masteratyoon
Topic: 2991 Message: 2993

Hi Moises,
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2994. Re: My DE1103 died.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-07-15 14:07:03 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 2991 Message: 2994

It sounds like a unique (unfortunate) situation. I think my de1103 (ka1103) is going on +4 or five years old, no problem. There are very few post like yours. With that said, electronic stuff does fail as you know. I always thought the switches and buttons were light duty, and they are. That is how they get a light, compact fairly inexpensive radio. I think what your doing is fine. Try to do everything you can before digging into it as you have, reset, switch cycling/moving even cleaning. It could be anything. Good luck!

Cheers

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2995. Re: My DE1103 died.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-07-17 20:02:48 UTC
From: n3ham1
Topic: 2991 Message: 2995

Seems like my reply to this post didn't take, so here goes again. Please check the Files section for '1103 jfet pre-amp replacement'. If you can do some SMT work you can fix your radio.I was able to fix mine with the same symptoms.This was a common problem with the earlier versions without the diode protection. Good luck. Jerry

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2996. Re: My DE1103 died.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-07-16 14:55:58 UTC
From: n3ham1
Topic: 2991 Message: 2996

Hello, I had the same problem with my 1103, it's common to this receiver. I fixed mine. Just go to the files section and read '1103 JFET Preamp Replacement'. If you can do some surface mount de-soldering and soldering you should be able to fix it. Good luck. Jerry N3HAM

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2997. Re: [de1103] Re: My DE1103 died.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-07-20 01:09:53 UTC
From: suwan ja
Topic: 2991 Message: 2997

Hi Jerry N3HAM,

Thank you for your suggestion I'm already order BF861B from ebay take time
10-15 days for shiping to my home .I will inform later.

REGARDS

On Sat, Jul 16, 2011 at 9:55 PM, n3ham1 <a1aop@...> wrote:

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Big Lamp! Head.

3001. I'm selling my Kaito KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-08-04 04:22:47 UTC
From: brucerf1
Topic: 3001 Message: 3001

Hi - I'm selling my Kaito KA1103, which is in excellent condition, along with its AC Adapter and Instruction Manual and Quick Operation Guide and Carrying Case, for just $40 (starting price) on ebay. Please check it out if you'd like to get this radio for less than its usual selling price. The bidding ends this Sunday night at 9:42pm edt:

http://cgi.ebay.com/Kaito-KA1103-Excellent-Cond-AC-Adapter-Manuals-Case-/220821231621?pt=Shortwave_Radios&hash=item3369f89805#ht_500wt_948

3002. Re: I'm selling my Kaito KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-08-05 16:20:10 UTC
From: abcaliasxyz
Topic: 3001 Message: 3002

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-08-05 16:52:35 UTC
From: brucerf1
Topic: 3001 Message: 3003

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3004. Re: [de1103] Re: I'm selling (auctioning) my Kaito KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-08-06 11:24:59 UTC
From: john
Topic: 3001 Message: 3004

At 12:52 PM 8/5/2011, brucerf1 wrote:
>Well, as of Friday 12:50pm edt, there is only one bid on it, so it may
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Makes sense, they don't cost too much more than that nerw.

3005. Re: [de1103] Re: I'm selling my Kaito KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-08-07 23:00:01 UTC
From: aimo ruoho
Topic: 3001 Message: 3005

If your radio is in excellent condition, so why do you want to sell it?
You are going to regret it for the rest of your life!
I know. I have sold a few receivers in the past, and I regret it all the time...

--- On Fri, 8/5/11, brucerf1 <brucerf1@...> wrote:

From: brucerf1 <brucerf1@...>
Subject: [de1103] Re: I'm selling my Kaito KA1103
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, August 5, 2011, 6:52 PM

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3006. Re: [de1103] Re: I'm selling my Kaito KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-08-07 23:50:31 UTC
From: bruce fisher
Topic: 3001 Message: 3006

I'm selling it because I haven't used it much. It's a great little portable for sure, but I never liked the lack of a Volume Control Knob. I'm thinking of using the funds towards the purchase of a Tecsun PL660. The Tecsun would be the 10th radio I've owned. I've sold all of the others (except for my favorite - a Palstar R30CC), and fortunately, I haven't regretted those sales. - Bruce

--- On Sun, 8/7/11, aimo ruoho <aimounto@...m> wrote:

From: aimo ruoho <aimounto@...>
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: I'm selling my Kaito KA1103
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Date: Sunday, August 7, 2011, 7:00 PM

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3007. KAITO KA 31 Loop Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-08-15 04:42:39 UTC
From: Robert G
Topic: 3007 Message: 3007

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3008. Re: KAITO KA 31 Loop Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-08-15 09:49:17 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 3007 Message: 3008

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http://radiojayallen.com/sw-loops-degen-de31-vs-sony-anlp-1/

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3009. Re: [de1103] Re: KAITO KA 31 Loop Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-08-15 10:01:52 UTC
From: Federico Tomasczik
Topic: 3007 Message: 3009

Hi!

You can make a loop antenna. It's easy and cheap!

See this link:

http://lw3esh.blogspot.com/2011/08/una-antena-loop-magnetica-muy-sencilla.html

It's in Spanish but with a little help from Google Translator you can read
in English.

Federico Ch. Tomasczik

2011/8/15 jallenhartford2000 <jaypolicow@...>

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3010. Re: KAITO KA 31 Loop Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-08-16 01:20:42 UTC
From: abcaliasxyz
Topic: 3007 Message: 3010

My "2 cents" :-).
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3011. [de1103] Re: KAITO KA 31 Loop Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-08-16 08:16:01 UTC
From: Sebastian
Topic: 3007 Message: 3011

I have a DE31, to use with my Degen 1103...
For home use, I have a homebrew loop.
The DE31 is however slightly better, but harder to tune. Especially in the Shortwave band.
I'd prefer to have a coarse and fine tuning. It only has the coarse. For travel, the de31 is great. you can fold it together, and the batteries last forever.
I can recommend it to everyone who uses the 1103 with internal or wip antenna. The DE31 will make a great improvement.

Basti.

3012. Re: KAITO KA 31 Loop Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-08-16 12:08:59 UTC
From: DJ Formaldehyde
Topic: 3007 Message: 3012

Hi all,

I bought the DE31 loop just to try it out, since it was only $13. It works incredibly well for me, because I live in a very populated area (downtown Toronto high rise). A standad wire antenna pulls in way too much man made noise, esp. since the TV cable trunk line runs past my appartment. With the DE31 I can get rid of some of that noise and actually pull stations out of the mud.
Of course, when I am camping in the wilderness, the wire antenna works far better than the loop.

Cheers all.

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3013. Question about front end FETs

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-08-18 18:53:31 UTC
From: n7xgr
Topic: 3013 Message: 3013

Group, I saw this post on the Eton E5 Yahoo Group.
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/EtonE5/message/2237
I have a Kaito KA1103 and have two questions about it.
First it appears that the AM (MW) band is dead, the shortwave
and the FM bands are OK. It indicates that Q14 (2SK544)
might have blown, this fet is connected directly to the
ferrite via windings, if it is the fet I have no idea
how it would blow and not the other fet for the
shortwave side in which more units have this fet (YJ-7)
blow because of static electricity. Is there any checks
I could do to confirm if Q14 is blown, when I connect a short
wire directly to the gate and have it tuned to the local
station (1270) I get a little audio from them but no
S Meter reading, normally this signal is full scale.

Second, I have located a source here in the states for
the 2SK2394 (Q1) but instead of the YJ-7 marking it has
a YJ-6. I see on the Spec Sheet for this FET that this
marking is for a current rating. The -7 has a 16 to 32 Idss
verses the -6 has a 10 to 20 Idss. Would there be any problem
of using the -6 instead of the -7? I would like to have
a couple of these on hand just in case.

I have the Sony 2010 as the main but the Kaito is more
handy in finding local electrical interference and
general listening and I have Icoms and Kenwoods in the
shack and pickup truck.

Bruce N7XGR

3014. Miscellaneous & Batteries life

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-09-09 12:13:13 UTC
From: Michel Boulmé
Topic: 3014 Message: 3014

Hi All,

I□ve got my Degen DE1103 at the begin of August.

It was called on the catalog of my dealer in France as DE1103B, why □B□,
because it□s a new generation □dixit the dealer□.

In fact it was made on May 2010.

As I do usually before use I put the 4 Degen 1300 mAh batteries in a Pro Discharger-Charger and noticed that one battery was dead.

No replacement was possible, nor discount.

I also noticed that the tag on AC Adaptor indicates DC in 8V 200mAh instead of 300mAh on the manual.

After contact by mail with Tecsun Shenzhen they said that is an error of tag. Quality control (!).

Batteries life:

I use 4 Energizer rechargeable AA-2650 (HR6) batteries, see Form No. EBC-8833 EU-D on http://data.energizer.com/PDFs/HR6-2650_EU.pdf , fully discharged and charged, giving 5.656V after charge.

I used radio (SW only and light Off) at 08 Volume with earphones 3 to 4 hours per day in 3 to 5 times and noticed that the life was 24 hours that is less than the Sangean ATS-909X (36 hours) and low-voltage cut-out was 4.560V.

In general, the DE1103 is an excellent radio, more sensitive and more
□greedy in electricity□ than the ATS-909X, twice cheaper and not noisy even
without DSP.

Best regards.

MichelB

3015. Re: [de1103] Miscellaneous & Batteries life

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-09-09 14:40:34 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3014 Message: 3015

Hi Michel. My KA1103 is a couple of years old. I get 27 hours of use before shutdown. I am using Kodak Precharged 2100Mah NiMH batteries. I found that the included batteries and the Digital brand batteries had different full charge voltages. The Kodak batteries have very consistant full charge voltages (1.44v per cell). It seems that quality control is not what it should be with the less expensive batteries, as well as Degen/Kaito radios. I have been lucky to have gotten only good radios, but there are folks that have had problems right out of the box.

Enjoy your radio!

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KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell
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3016. RE: [de1103] Miscellaneous & Batteries life

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-09-09 16:23:59 UTC
From: Michel Boulmé
Topic: 3014 Message: 3016

Hi Martin,
Yes I enjoy my radio.

The full charge voltage of each cell Energizer AA-2650 (HR6) was exactly 1.442V, I've taken 1.4V according to Energizer Product Datasheet.
Time of use depends on volume, band - FM demands less energy than AM-SW - and low-voltage cut-out.
The low-voltage cut-out is different from one to other radio, see http://ukradio.info/Degen/ where they found 4.9V (4.56V for mine) and maybe less for your. This site gives some reviews about 1103.
Best regards.
Michel

P.S.:
1) For me the Degen DE1103 is the best little portable radio never owned, I hope that its life will be as long as my Sony ICF-7600DS and ICF-2001D 20-25 years old.
2) "Quality control" was not for the batteries nor for the radio, only for the tag error.
3) It is evident that you can't have a same global quality for a radio at $100, $240 and $320 even they are made in China, but I repeat that it's the best little portable never owned.

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De : de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] De la part de Martin
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3017. Re: Miscellaneous & Batteries life

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-09-10 21:51:11 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 3014 Message: 3017

My charger says 250 mAh at 8 volts with 110 AC 60 Hz in. Radio is about 3-4 yrs old. The nominal current drain of the radio is about 75 mAh or less. Of course using speaker, higher volume = more drain, They way you use it, low vol, ear-buds on SW drain is way less. Still your 2650 mAh batteries are no where near that, at least in the DE1103. I explain below. Although the "max" or nominal drain is 100 mAh in the manual would indicated 26 hours of use with 2650 mAh batteries. The issues is how they rate batteries and the min voltage the DE1103 will run at. NiMh battery ratings are hype, is the other issue. High ratings on the label does not mean much sometimes, except they charged you more. Not saying they are all the same, just that 2650 mAH is WAY optimistic. The 1300 mAh ones that comes with the radio are more realistically rated. Playing it hard with the speaker loud I can get +9 hours of use. They way I use it, that is well over a month.

The chance is your wall-wart IS only 200 mAh; the label is right, which is fine. The radio only draws about 100 mAh MAX per manual. Real world drain is much less. Charging is not over that 100 mAh. I am guessing charging draws 0.033C to 0.050C (C is battery rating divided by 1 hr). So we are talking 1300 x 0.05 = 65 mA. The total of radio plus charging at the same time, is less than 200 mA.

I have doubts super high capacity NiMh can be charged properly in the DE1103 even with a higher current rated wall-wart power supply. That is a different topic. The built in charger is a basic timer only trickle charger, which has pros and cons. I am sure they limited the charger circuit to a max current or 0.05C, which ever is less, just to prevent battery damage. I think 100 mAh is the max charge current.

I never charge the stock 1300 mAh batteries more than 11 hours. Keep in mind this is charging "dead batteries", meaning ones that no longer run the radio. That is far from fully discharged. Regardless charge time should not be more than battery rating divided by 100 mAh. If you are one to charge the batteries every few hours of use (I don't recommend it) don't charge more than the hours you used it from the last charge, eg use it 5 hours, charge it 5 hours.

Battery Life

If you are getting 24 hours on a charge, you are doing well. The dead cell out the box is a bummer. They should have sent you a new battery.

I get about ~8 hours to 10 hours on the original Dengan brand AA (1300 mAh), on speaker, set at vol 16, playing AM or FM stereo. I did some test when I first got it, putting it on sleep timer, 2 hours at a time. After 3 two hour runs, 6 hours total, I went to one hour or 30 min. Normally I'd get at least 9 hours. At some point the radio would shut down. The way I use it, I am sure I get more than 8 hours. In fact I measure battery life by months.

My normal use I get about month or two per charge. I only use it about an hour or two a week on average. These are the original batteires 3-4 yrs old, still giving me great performance.

I almost exclusively recharged the stock batteries in the radio with the stock wall-wart. I charge about 10 hours some times 11 hours. It is very convenient. I always run the radio until it dies before charging. I use the radio almost exclusively on battery.

I'm an electronic hobbyist and repair old radios for fun. I use the DE1103 some times like a piece of test gear, to check other radios or test gear for their operation. So I might have it on for a less than 5 minutes at a time. I do use it for SW, AM radio and FM stereo. With headphones the stereo separation is fantastic! I have Sennheiser HD280PRO headphones. The sound is just awesome. The FM radio is very sensitive, get a FM station out 90 miles with out much problem.

I agree it is a super sensitive radio at a very good price. I have nothing to compare it with on battery life, as far as portable SW radios. I agree battery life may not be what some want, but it's pretty good.

BATTERY RATING RANT

I find high rating numbers on AA NiMh batteries are WAY optimistic. I would not be surprised if so called 2650 mAh NiMh AA batteries are significantly less than that, especially when you consider how the rate them. Keep in mind the DE1103 will not run on 1.20 volts per cell. That is the STANDARD voltage they rate the battery to. I found when my NiMh's stop driving the DE1103 they are above 1.20 volts... lets say 1.28 volts. I find at that volts, the batteries are not going to last much longer, die fast. Some batteries die faster and sharply more than others. The battery rating is rough guess. How it works in a device varies. 1.20 volts at some fixed current drain is optimistic for most sophisticated electronics. It takes power to do the magic. This 1.20 voltage standard is too low for the DE1103 to run. This is not uncommon. They could add more batteries to get a higher starting voltage but it would make the radio bigger.

I get +250 hours from my GE Superadio III with 6 D's. I doubt it's more efficient... the solution is MORE BIGGER BATTERIES! 4 AA's is marginal but it works.

Alkalines tend to have a shallower voltage drop at end of life, so they will run longer than NiMh. Also Alkalines just have more energy than the best NiMh. They start at higher voltages, have better shelf life and they voltage drop is pretty steady, shallower, down to lower voltages vs NiMh.

I could be wrong. There may be some latest greatest NiMh that equal the Alkalines? I don't think so. If they have them, they cost a bunch, but high price is no guarantee of good batteries. I doubt the internal charger will charge these super NiMh batteires to full capacity. I REALLY LIKE NOT HAVING TO TAKE BATTERIES OUT... internal charging is NICE!

Standard AA Alkalies are 2900 mAh. I doubt there are any consumer NiMh AA's that match or exceed that honestly at any price. I find the premium for some of the high rated NiMh to be not value added. I think 2000-2200 mAh is about as good as it gets for NiMh in ideal conditions. Keeping in mind they rate them to 1.20 volts and we need about 1.28 volts per cell to get any useful operation from the DE1103. So you can de-rate what it says on the battery label by a good bit.

I found in my test when the battery was at a no load, voltage of about 1.28 volts would not run the DE1103 very much long after that. It would suck the voltage down to 1.20 volts fast. Letting the radio/batteries sit for awhile, the battery voltage would recover back to about 1.28 volts; then radio would run for about 5 minutes and shut down again. So if your

NiMh only chargers to 1.42 volts you are talking about 1.28-1.42 volts of useful power. Some of weaker NiMh batteries I have only charge to 1.39 volts; some of my good batteries charge to 1.45 volts. Of course NiMh drain on the shelf. After a few days even the higher volt NiMh settle down to about 1.40 volts. Watching voltage as they drain under operation in the battery, the voltage will drop pretty fast in the first hour or two to the 1.35 volt area (little higher). It will sit there for many hours, of operation. Then it makes a steady drop to about 1.30 volts. Then voltage drops faster. In the below 1.30 volt range, say 1.28 volts the batteries useful operation are almost gone, can't run the radio load and maintain voltage.

Some newer NiMh chemistry promises longer shelf life NiMh for long low drain applications. However it depends on brand, age, charger, the device how much time you get. The nice thing is we have NiMh. It beats buying Alkaline's, which I still do. In my smoke detectors, electronic thermostat, some clocks, weather station, things that are low low drain I don't use NiMh.

Most of those high NiMh battery ratings are HYPE and $money$ making sales gimmicks or fraud. I bought some 3000 mAh hours before I knew better. THEY WERE CHEAP (should have been a warning). They were no better than the 1300 mAh Degens. I do have a pair of 2100 mAh "Titaniums" that are my best pair. They run my wireless mouse for months. I have wanted to buy some higher rated batteries, but doubt they will charge inside the DE1103 fully, although I don't know that. The good sophisticated NiMh chargers can squeeze more into the higher capacity batteries that a trickle charger can't. So if using high capacity in the DE1103 means constantly taking batteries out, I will stick with the lower rating ones and charge them internally.

ANTENNA

If you did not get the matching active loop antenna: KA31MS, DE33, TG34 and/or other name brands but same antenna .... get one. It makes the 1103 an even better performer.... It's a very good compact active loop antenna, that runs on two AAA's. It's also power hungry. I get about 10 hours may be 15 hours of use on two rechargeable AAA NiMh.... I have no clue really how long it last. Despite a LED power light, I forget to turn it off more often then run the battery down. I might not use it for months, so when I go to use it, I just pop new charged ones in. However I don't think battery life is that great, especially if you had to buy Alkalines.

When the 1103 with the active loop is dialed in from the East Coast of USA, I get the world. It gives my TenTec RX320D and 75' random wire a run for the money. Obviously Canada, South America, Caribbean is easy. However Africa, E and W Europe, Middle East and New Zealand is no problem with the DE1103/KA1103.

Doing A vs B, the built in whip vs the active loop, SNR is much lower with the loop, as to be expected. It's noticeable. A faint but audible signal with the whip becomes a moderately strong signal with less noise. It's not a miracle device, just a good match for this radio and better than the mono poll telescopic whip. However you have to tune the antenna with a tiny thumb wheel and it takes the aforementioned batteries. I don't use it all the time, but it folds up into a very compact package, easy to travel with. I am sure a long random wire, high up away from noise will improve signal as well as this loop, but the loop is just so compact and works well it's great for travel or apartment dwellers. The 1103's use to come with 30' of wire, mine did.

Congrats.... Not sure what 'B' model means? There have been a few revisions over the years, mostly for the good to address little complaints some had.

QC can be an issue with China stuff. Some times it is dazzling good at ludicrously cheap prices.... some times it's Oh GEE what the @#$%, but still cheap. However a dead radio no matter how cheap is no joy. I think the battery issue and charger (which I doubt is 300 mAh) is minor.

If you want to measure the voltage of the charger under a little load resistor, try 60 ohms 1/2 watt resistor, see what voltage the charger makes. I got 60 ohms from 150 mAh at 8 volts .... V = RI, R = 8/0.15 = 60. See how hot that wall-wart gets. If you have two multi meters you can measure the current drain as well and see how good the charger is. I am sure it's up to the task. Put it on an oscilloscope and see how much ripple it has.

For grins I put the PS on the bench. I measured mine, 7.95 volts, drops to 7.89 volts under 160 mA load. The ripple is 0.03 volts with some high freq harmonic hash. It's a linear PS, not a switching PS, just by weight. Actually not bad for a little AC power adapter. To be honest, I never use it when listening to tell if it affects SW operation? I am sure the power-supply puts off some near field RFI noise if you put the antenna next to the supply. They may have done some good sheilding? Regardless I think 200 mAh supply is up to the task. I would not worry....

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3018. A very helpful site

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-10-11 19:33:57 UTC
From: knyuen88
Topic: 3018 Message: 3018

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3019. Re: [de1103] A very helpful site

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-10-12 12:27:53 UTC
From: hardrain
Topic: 3018 Message: 3019

Interesting. Thanks for sharing!

Raffaello

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3020. Interesting articles about Degen DE1103.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-10-12 14:48:11 UTC
From: Michel Boulmé
Topic: 3020 Message: 3020

Hi All,

<http://www.radioscanner.ru/info/article11>
http://www.radioscanner.ru/info/article11 the translated

<http://www.radioscanner.ru/info/radio/degen2.php>
http://www.radioscanner.ru/info/radio/degen2.php the original

A very interesting pdf file:

http://users.otenet.gr/~sv6czq/DEGEN%20DE1103%20modifications.pdf

Best regards.

MichelB

3021. DE1103 Block Diagram

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-10-26 17:05:02 UTC
From: Ed
Topic: 3021 Message: 3021

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3022. RE: [de1103] DE1103 Block Diagram

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-10-26 17:43:34 UTC
From: Dominique Kremp
Topic: 3021 Message: 3022

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Normandy, France

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3023. Re: [de1103] DE1103 Block Diagram

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-10-26 19:00:48 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 3021 Message: 3023

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Sent: Thursday, October 27, 2011 6:43 AM
Subject: RE: [de1103] DE1103 Block Diagram

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3024. RE: [de1103] DE1103 Block Diagram

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-10-26 21:09:25 UTC
From: Dominique Kremp
Topic: 3021 Message: 3024

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3025. Re: [de1103] DE1103 Block Diagram

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-10-26 23:35:26 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 3021 Message: 3025

Hi Dominique

You're not wrong there computers have a mind of their own sometimes, try right clicking on the link and select Save As and download it.

Paul

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From: "Dominique Kremp" <dominique.kremp@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
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Subject: RE: [de1103] DE1103 Block Diagram

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3026. Re: DE1103 Block Diagram

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-10-27 01:12:17 UTC
From: robert gorsch
Topic: 3021 Message: 3026

Thanks for posting the link to Phil's.

RG

3027. Re: DE1103 Block Diagram

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-10-27 04:38:30 UTC
From: Ed
Topic: 3021 Message: 3027

I'm not a guru.
I replaced Adobe Reader with Foxit Reader (freeware)
Foxit is more light than Adobe and I haven't had any problem
Ed

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3028. Re: [de1103] DE1103 Block Diagram

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-10-27 00:20:44 UTC
From: Jeff Murri
Topic: 3021 Message: 3028

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I personally use Foxit viewer for Windows, and after the initial warning about an unregistered copy of the PDF creator the files load fine. As an aside, I like PDFCreator for saving PDF files. When you install it it shows up as a printer, and you can then print your file to it. Couldn't be easier.

As far as the files themselves, Dr Phil's site is very cool. A lot of great material. Going to send him a thank you email.

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3029. Re: [de1103] DE1103 Block Diagram

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-10-27 11:54:07 UTC
From: hardrain
Topic: 3021 Message: 3029

Interesting and useful.

Thanks for sharing.

Raffaello

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3030. Re: [de1103] DE1103 Block Diagram

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-10-27 13:27:44 UTC
From: Aluizio Antonio dos Santos
Topic: 3021 Message: 3030

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To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, October 26, 2011 2:43 PM
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3031. RE: [de1103] DE1103 Block Diagram

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-10-27 14:16:36 UTC
From: Dominique Kremp
Topic: 3021 Message: 3031

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HELP !

Thanks in advance

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3032. Re: DE1103 Block Diagram

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-10-27 15:18:42 UTC
From: Ed
Topic: 3021 Message: 3032

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Ed

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From: Aluizio Antonio dos Santos
Topic: 3021 Message: 3033
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3034. RE: [de1103] Re: DE1103 Block Diagram

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-10-27 15:29:23 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 3021 Message: 3034

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Then I continue click 'OK' will can open it without any problem.

Followed I use the 'print' function print it again in a new PDF file, then can open it by the Adobe Acrobat directly without any message or problem...

Sorry for if any confusion because my English...^_^

- Tao Qu

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Ed
Sent: Thursday, October 27, 2011 11:19 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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From: Dominique Kremp
Topic: 3021 Message: 3035

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correctly, but why did Acrobat require the same ???
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All is well that ends well !
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À : de1103@yahoogroups.com
Objet : [de1103] Re: DE1103 Block Diagram

Really curious, perhaps privacy and protection Explorer setting.
Did you tried download the file and open the pdf.file after downloading ?

That is: mouse cursor on the file, right click, save the file as ....
You'll get the file on your hard disk now.

Ed

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Dominique Kremp" <dominique.kremp@...>
wrote:
>
> Hi Aluizio, Jeff, Ed and Paul,
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>
> Thanks for your advices and your comments abt my issue with the pdf files.
>
> I installed Foxit Reader but it doesn't help more.
>
> Just a summing up:
>
> I use to open pdf files with Acrobat Reader X 10.1.1. It always worked.
>
> The ones from <http://home.comcast.net/~phils_radio_designs/>
> http://home.comcast.net/~phils_radio_designs/ won't get opened neither
with

> Acrobat Reader nor with Foxit Reader.
>
> A try to open them with Acrobat or with Foxit freezes the PC window !
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> I don't understand any more !
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> HELP !
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> Thanks in advance
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> Dominique
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> Normandy, France
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> De : de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] De la part de
> Aluizio Antonio dos Santos
> Envoyé : jeudi 27 octobre 2011 15:28
> À : de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Objet : Re: [de1103] DE1103 Block Diagram
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> Download and install Foxit Reader is free to install and lightweight,
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> http://foxitsoftware.com/downloads/
>
> Very good to open pdf files.
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> ----- Original Message -----

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> From: Dominique Kremp <mailto:dominique.kremp@...>
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> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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> Sent: Wednesday, October 26, 2011 2:43 PM
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> Subject: RE: [de1103] DE1103 Block Diagram
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> Thanks, it sems to be interesting, but I can't open the .pdf files !!!
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> De : de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] De la part de
Ed
> Envoyé : mercredi 26 octobre 2011 19:05
> À : de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Objet : [de1103] DE1103 Block Diagram
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> Please follow this link
> http://home.comcast.net/~phils_radio_designs/
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> You'll find DE1103 block diagram, receiver test and a usefull DE1103 cheat
> sheet.
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3036. Re: [de1103] Re: DE1103 Block Diagram

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-10-27 18:05:00 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3021 Message: 3036

Hi. It is possible that Foxit changed a registry setting possibly along
with installing a file that both programs need. This is common in Windows.

I downloaded the block diagram, and several files fron Phil's web site.
All opened in Ocular (in Aptosid GNU/Linux) without problems, and with
no pop-ups. Libbre-Office (axailable for Windows and Linux) will create
.pdf files.

ttyl.

On 10/27/2011 10:56 AM, Dominique Kremp wrote:
> Dear friends
>
> The softwares work now OK, I can open the .pdf files, I don?t know why but
> both Acrobat and Foxit work ?
> I switched the PC off and then in, and that was it !
> I can easily understand that Foxit required the PC to be off and in to work
> correctly, but why did Acrobat require the same ???
> Another mystery !
> All is well that ends well !
> Have a nice day
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> Dominique
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3037. Degen DE1103 Use on a Yacht

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-12 17:48:58 UTC
From: geordie_cy
Topic: 3037 Message: 3037

Hi,

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I'll be using it to listen to the shipping forecast, rugby scores etc. but would also like to use it, with a laptop, to decode Navtex and Weather fax.

Does anyone have any tips on using it for data modes? Any stations/freqs/times that are easy to pick up in the English Channel/Med? Software recommendations?

Simon

3038. Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103 Use on a Yacht

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-12 19:13:01 UTC
From: Jeff Murri
Topic: 3037 Message: 3038

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My next step is to try a stereo patch cable, even though a mono cable is mentioned everywhere I read.

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Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 12, 2011, at 12:48 PM, "geordie_cy" <cy.thompson.st599@...> wrote:

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3039. Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103 Use on a Yacht

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-12 19:33:54 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3037 Message: 3039

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3040. Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103 Use on a Yacht

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-12 19:37:35 UTC
From: Paul Kalamaras (Skywarn)
Topic: 3037 Message: 3040

One way that my help is to use a isolating audio transformer

Do a search on the web on that radio shack sells them.

http://audio-isolation-transformer-radio-shack.lowpricecybermonday2011.com/

Paul
On 11/12/2011 2:13:01 PM, Jeff Murri (murrij@...) wrote:
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3041. Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103 Use on a Yacht

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-12 19:42:54 UTC
From: Paul Kalamaras (Skywarn)
Topic: 3037 Message: 3041

isolating transformer 1:1 for one audio channel (mono)

http://www.buzzillions.com/reviews/radio-shack-1-isolation-transformer-reviews
----- Original Message -----
From: Paul Kalamaras (Skywarn)
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, November 12, 2011 2:37 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103 Use on a Yacht

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3042. Re: Degen DE1103 Use on a Yacht

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-14 20:19:29 UTC
From: geordie_cy
Topic: 3037 Message: 3042

Can anyone recommend any good software for Navtex/AIS/WeatherFax?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Paul Kalamaras \(Skywarn\)" <wxwatch@...> wrote:
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3043. Re: KAITO KA 31 Loop Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-15 05:02:04 UTC
From: Robert G
Topic: 3007 Message: 3043

Hi:

I have done some further experimentation and found that the loop performs very well in the lower frequency bands. No surprise! I have found a placement for the loop that really does null out local noise in my location: However, it does not work at all on the 25m or 31m bands to my dismay; the noise levels are about the same as with the whip. On the other hand, the results are spectacular on the 49m; both the whip and the longwire with tuner are terrible with the noise I am experiencing now, but the loop brings in a bright clean signal, with noise suppressed to an amazingly low level. I haven't yet tried out the loop on the 41m and the 60m and lower bands, but I will do so since I was stunned by its performance on the 49m band.

RG

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> What have other listeners experienced?
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3044. Re: KAITO KA 31 Loop Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-15 14:09:52 UTC
From: DJ Formaldehyde
Topic: 3007 Message: 3044

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3045. Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103 Use on a Yacht

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-15 18:47:31 UTC
From: Jeff Murri
Topic: 3037 Message: 3045

Thank you all for the info on the ground loop stuff! I ordered two different boxes ($15.00 each, so not a big outlay) and will report back.

--Jeff

On Sat, Nov 12, 2011 at 2:33 PM, Martin <kb0hae@...> wrote:

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3046. Re: [de1103] Re: KAITO KA 31 Loop Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-18 06:31:39 UTC
From: robert gorsch
Topic: 3007 Message: 3046

I have done some further quickie testing at my location--wood-frame house in a relatively quiet, low RFI American suburb. Receiver: Grundig G 5. Outdoor antenna: 40-45 foot (12-14 meter) random wire with an antenna tuner. I have found a pretty low-noise position and orientation for the loop--it took some trial and error; external window from the room was not it.

I can tune down to about 4430 khz. So I can cover the 60 m band and up. In my experience, I can get remarkably clean signals in the 60, 49, and 41 meter bands with local noise reduced to little or nothing. When I switch to the whip or to my antenna tuned random wire, I get a lot of noise and a signal that is ruined or degraded by the locally generated noise.

When I tune above the 41 meter band, the noise-nulling power of the loop just stops working. Then the antenna-tuned random wire does best. (No doubt this has to do with the kind of RFI I am battling. Listeners in other locations will have different results.)

But to my surprise, at the highest frequencies, the 16 and 19 meter bands and WWV at 20 mhz., the whip pulls in the best signal.

In conclusion, this loop antenna (KA 31 / DE 31 / Kestrel W31MS) is a great bargain and is very capable. The Kestrel W31MS works on both SW and MW; I understand that some versions of this product only work on SW. I bought mine from an exporter in Hong Kong for about $20.00 including shipping. Search EBay.

--- On Tue, 11/15/11, DJ Formaldehyde <agregor@...> wrote:

From: DJ Formaldehyde <agregor@...>
Subject: [de1103] Re: KAITO KA 31 Loop Antenna
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Tuesday, November 15, 2011, 6:09 AM

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3047. Re: KAITO KA 31 Loop Antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-20 10:30:07 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 3007 Message: 3047

I used my 1103 in several noisy places and it works very well also in various temperatures! Here is a You Tube video I shot in South Carolina where it was hot and RF noisy....

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zvZXdv6_WXo

My usual QTH (location) is in Michigan's upper peninsula where right now we had six inches of snow with temps in the 20s

73 Rod KB8DNS

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3048. De 1103 Repair?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-28 21:30:01 UTC
From: Joe
Topic: 3048 Message: 3048

Guys,
My De1103 has suddenly gone deaf on all bands. It is out of warranty. Any ideas as to whom in anyone repairs these?

3049. Re: De 1103 Repair?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-29 04:54:25 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 3048 Message: 3049

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joe" <N9JCQ@...> wrote:
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1. Check reception with headphones. At times, the Audio amplifier chip could go wrong.
2. Please check your battery condition. Check the receiver with a fresh charged battery.

3. If you can wield soldering rod, you yourself can do it,but carefully, Download from the files section, schematics and component layout diagrams. I suppose, if items 1 and 2 are covered and still the set is faulty, perhaps the power supply circuitry would be faulty. I could happily try to join you remotely if you are doing the servicing. perhaps we can hold on yahoo messenger chat and do it.

All the best

3050. Re: De 1103 Repair?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-29 18:12:46 UTC
From: dovalep
Topic: 3048 Message: 3050

Joe,
Before getting inside, you can try :
1. Check with phones (possible audio amp failure).
1. RESET (the procedure appear in manual manual instruction).
2. If RESET does not help: take out the batteries for couple days.
3. If 1,2 and 3 does not help, try to operate with transformer.
Regards Dov aka 4Z5NU.
https://sites.google.com/site/4z5nu4z5nu/

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3051. Re: De 1103 Repair?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-29 19:43:17 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 3048 Message: 3051

What is this 3rd option? that suggests"try to operate with transformer."

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "dovalep" <dovalep@...> wrote:
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3052. Re: [de1103] Re: De 1103 Repair?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-29 21:45:03 UTC
From: N9JCQ@aol.com
Topic: 3048 Message: 3052

Shalom Dov,
I have not tried the first #1 (hi hi). I have tried #1, #2, and #3 as recently as last night. The radios produces only static on all bands and all modes. I am not sure if it relevant, but when I do the reset, the radio returns with the volume set at high (40)? I would think that it shouldn't come on full volume after a reset even if it is only producing hiss.
Joe, N9JCQ

-----Original Message-----
From: dovalep <dovalep@yahoo.com>
To: de1103 <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tue, Nov 29, 2011 12:12 pm
Subject: [de1103] Re: De 1103 Repair?

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3053. Re: [de1103] Re: De 1103 Repair?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-29 21:49:52 UTC
From: N9JCQ@aol.com
Topic: 3048 Message: 3053

My skill with a soldering iron on components that small is lacking I am afraid. . I will test with headphones tonight. I have tried it with new batteries, and on the power supply with teh same results. I let the radio sit with no batteries, disconnected from the power supply for 3 days and still have the same problem. I can let it sit for week and try it again.

Thank you all for your suggestions!

-----Original Message-----
From: Mvs <mvs_sarma@...>
To: de1103 <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Mon, Nov 28, 2011 10:54 pm
Subject: [de1103] Re: De 1103 Repair?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joe" <N9JCQ@...> wrote:
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All the best

3054. Re: De 1103 Repair?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-29 21:51:35 UTC
From: BikePackin@aol.com
Topic: 3048 Message: 3054

Hello there Joe - In the US the warranty (& beyond warranty????) location is:
Kaito Electronics, Inc.
5185 Cliffwood Drive
Montclair, CA 91763
Phone/voice: 909-628-6088
Phone/fax: 909-628-7999
EMail: _Info@..._ (mailto:Info@...)
I have communicated by voice with this location on several occasions (once included repair), and have found them to be of the highest quality.
F.

3055. Re: [de1103] Re: De 1103 Repair?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-29 22:24:30 UTC
From: N9JCQ@aol.com
Topic: 3048 Message: 3055

He means the AC Power supply the came with the radio.

-----Original Message-----
From: Mvs <mvs_sarma@...>
To: de1103 <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tue, Nov 29, 2011 1:43 pm
Subject: [de1103] Re: De 1103 Repair?

What is this 3rd option? that suggests"try to operate with transformer."

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "dovalep" <dovalep@...> wrote:
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3056. Re: [de1103] Re: De 1103 Repair?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-29 22:26:13 UTC
From: N9JCQ@aol.com
Topic: 3048 Message: 3056

Perfect! I tried emailing them and never got a response. Mine was purchased 2 years ago and I am afraid it is out of warranty. I will call them and find out about getting my unit repaired. Thank you!

-----Original Message-----
From: BikePackin <BikePackin@...>
To: de1103 <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tue, Nov 29, 2011 3:51 pm
Subject: [de1103] Re: De 1103 Repair?

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3057. Re: [de1103] Re: De 1103 Repair?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-29 23:03:47 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3048 Message: 3057

Hi. I would find out the cost first. It might be less expensive to replace than to repair.

ttyl

On 11/29/2011 04:26 PM, N9JCQ@... wrote:
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KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell
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They say that if you play a Microsoft CD backwards, you hear satanic voices. That's nothing, because if you play it forwards, it installs Windows! Best privacy policy: Never Ever entrust your data to anyone but yourself!!!

3058. Re: De 1103 Repair?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-11-30 12:03:58 UTC
From: abcaliasxyz
Topic: 3048 Message: 3058

You are welcome...glad it might prove helpful....could you do us the favor of letting us know to what degree Kaito is helpful?
Details on my experience with Kaito repair: About a year ago I sent one of my 1103s in. Although I did have to call them after 2 weeks (had expected, & in my enclosed correspondence I had asked them to call me), they jumped right on it and THEY concluded that the cost of repair was not worth it .... because they knew I had incurred postage/shipping, they sold me a refurbished unit with a 90 day (I think) warranty unit for a-b-o-u-t $50.00 including shipping. I bought the refurbed unit and have had zero problems.

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3059. Kestrel/Kaito/Degen Loop Antenna Manual from liypn

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-01 04:55:57 UTC
From: Robert G
Topic: 3059 Message: 3059

In his current ads on EBay, liypn aka V COM Computers mentions that a pdf manual in English or Italian is available for the Kestrel W31MS Loop Antenna (or equivalent). I bought the antenna about four months ago and have repeatedly emailed liypn requesting the pdf manual without result. Has anyone else actually seen this manual? I thought liypn was a reliable and responsive seller of Chinese shortwave radios and accessories.

3060. KA1103 shuts off-loose wire or ?? This happen 2 you?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-06 01:58:17 UTC
From: ko
Topic: 3060 Message: 3060

Hello all,

I love my ka1103-I've had it for a while, I'd say 6 years but perhaps longer.

Has anyone had a problem where the ac adapter plugs into the radio, then if you say move the radio and the wire moves or turns the radio just shuts off? I have the original and a matching RS ac adapter, it does this with both.

Understanding there might be a crack or broken wire in the ac adapter, I'm thinking there might be a loose connection inside where the receptacle is.

Anyone else have this problem and if so, what was wrong and what did you do to resolve it? I'll eventually look at it, maybe a soldering gun kit is in my future. Thank you,

ko

3061. Re: [de1103] KA1103 shuts off-loose wire or ?? This happen 2 you?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-06 14:25:47 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3060 Message: 3061

Hi. While I do not have this problem with my KA1103 (I only use the adapter to charge batteries), it is a fairly common problem with laptops and other devices where the power jack is soldered to the circuit board. Eventually bad solder joints develop where the connector is soldered to the circuit board. Usually just reheating the solder joints will fix the problem (until it happens again after a few years). Do you have batteries in the radio? What type?

If you do resolder the connections, be careful to heat the joint only until the solder flows freely. Overheating can cause more problems. I would get a 30 watt or smaller soldering iron. You should read up on soldering, or if you know someone that has experirnce soldering have them help you.

Whatever you do, be careful and do not burn yourself or anything else.

ttyl.

On 12/05/2011 07:58 PM, ko wrote:
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3062. KA-1103 Problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-06 17:48:24 UTC
From: John H. Carver Jr.
Topic: 3060 Message: 3062

My unit is several years old. Five or six off the top of my head. Over the last year, while changing batteries, the unit locks up and must be reset to start, sometimes more than once. I tried plugging the transformer into it and was able to change batteries without it locking up. Now it locks up even with the transformer plugged in and I have to have the radio actually turned on to successfully change the batteries. Obviously the problem is getting worse and am hoping that the fix is something simple that I can do. Anyone have any ideas?

John

3063. Images in Long Wave

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-08 07:07:29 UTC
From: Robert G
Topic: 3063 Message: 3063

Are there any easy solutions to MW images in the Long Wave band? Is there any kind of low-pass filter that could be employed without opening up the radio and soldering in something?

3064. Re: Images in Long Wave

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-09 01:45:01 UTC
From: Adam E
Topic: 3063 Message: 3064

I would advise scanning 1711 kHz to 500 kHz for 2 seconds to 99 kHz to activate the external antenna jack, then use a low pass filter for the antenna to connect to the KA-1103. I did this and I got a chance to hear France on 162 kHz for the first time on this radio.

Adam Ebel
Virginia Beach, Virginia

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Robert G" <rgorsch@...> wrote:
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3065. Kiwa mods question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-12 04:16:20 UTC
From: chrisp_ri
Topic: 3065 Message: 3065

Hi All, new here and considering a DE1103 to go with my other radios. I wonder if the kiwa mods apply to all the 1103 radios, or just certain older versions?

http://kiwa.com/KA1103.html

Thank You

PS Kiwa also seems to have other cool items besides the 1103 mods, on the main page (no affiliation, just found it tonight!)

http://kiwa.com/index.html

3066. Re: Kiwa mods question

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-14 14:25:19 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 3065 Message: 3066

I believe, unless a problem is faced , we need not mod latest radios.
I suppose that they are subject to improvements in construction over a period.
if the problems described in kiws are noticed, one can try , but with caution.

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3067. Test with ferrite antenna disconnected.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-16 11:05:52 UTC
From: Michel Boulmé
Topic: 3067 Message: 3067

Hi All,

I tried to receive France Inter 162 kHz, a station 555 km distant from my location.

a) Ferrite antenna connected:

Signal is poor, no bar on S-meter but well audible and intelligible.

b) Telescopic antenna:

No signal and severe noise.

c) 31MS active loop antenna:

No signal and no noise.

My conclusion: No interest. (and you ?)

Reminder:

To disconnect ferrite antenna select 1711 by direct entry [1] [7] [1] [1] [BAND+] and scan down until the desired frequency [BAND-] for 2 seconds.

Best regards.

MichelB

3068. Re: Test with ferrite antenna disconnected.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-16 13:48:37 UTC
From: DJ Formaldehyde
Topic: 3067 Message: 3068

Hi Michel,

I found that the 31MS does not work very well below 5 Mhz. The telescopic antenna is a bit short for LW as well. Here are a few ideas for LW antennas that you can make yourself:

http://www.mds975.co.uk/Content/aerials1.html

Cheers

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Michel Boulmé <michel.boulme@...> wrote:
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> MichelB
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3069. Re: Test with ferrite antenna disconnected.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-17 17:40:02 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 3067 Message: 3069

My conclusion is your comment:

"My conclusion: No interest. (and you..?)"

This equals no interest in me commenting. No interest in what?

LF freqs are difficult to receive, and if you would bother to read the instructions, your 31MS antenna is good for (as advertised) to 3.9Mhz, which is a little optimistic.

162 Khz is LOW FREQ, at the bottom of what is considered LONG WAVE. Also we are talking a $80 radio with built in antennas and one external antenna, which has limits you don't understand.

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3070. Re: Test with ferrite antenna disconnected.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-18 04:54:04 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 3067 Message: 3070

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perhaps LW stations have heavy interference from local power appliances
that use chopper mode like grinder mixers, fan regulators, electronic
tube lights , etc.
However you might try from a little farther place like terrace or
less noisy place and with battery alone and with internal antenna.
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3071. Re: Test with ferrite antenna disconnected.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-18 08:51:21 UTC
From: lmowhite
Topic: 3067 Message: 3071

My experience is different. I tried external antenna and I found it works better than ferrite antenna. I receive many station I don't receive with ferrite or receive bad. The reception is very clear and loud. It works good whether in long and medium wave. I receive France Inter 162 kHz very well.

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3072. RE: [de1103] Re: Test with ferrite antenna disconnected.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-18 10:46:50 UTC
From: Michel Boulmé
Topic: 3067 Message: 3072

Hi Greg,

you are right, specifications of Degen 31MS are as it follows:

MW: 531-1602 kHz

SW: 3.90-22.00 MHz

So I tried RAI Radio 1 on 1575 kHz 50 kW, a station 163 km distant from my location giving a stong signal at night but poor at day.

Ferrite: 2/5 audible

Telescopic: 0/5 audible, only noise

31MS: 1/5 audible

On the other hand, with the Wellbrook ALA 1530 loop antenna I can receive all LW stations even DCF77 but the antenna is too big for a room and my wife

I☐ll try to build the antenna described here:
http://www.vk2zay.net/article/47

Best regards.

MichelB

De : de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] De la part de Greg
Envoyé : samedi 17 décembre 2011 18:40
À : de1103@yahoogroups.com
Objet : [de1103] Re: Test with ferrite antenna disconnected.

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3073. RE: [de1103] Re: Test with ferrite antenna disconnected.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-18 11:00:31 UTC
From: Michel Boulmé
Topic: 3067 Message: 3073

Where are you located and what antenna do you use?

Me too, I found it works better than ferrite antenna but with the Wellbrook ALA1530 loop antenna.

De : de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] De la part de Imowhite
Envoyé : dimanche 18 décembre 2011 09:51
À : de1103@yahoogroups.com
Objet : [de1103] Re: Test with ferrite antenna disconnected.

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3074. Re: Test with ferrite antenna disconnected.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-18 12:25:04 UTC
From: lmowhite
Topic: 3067 Message: 3074

I use the radio telescopic antenna or a piece of wire. I've no special antennas. Sometimes I use a home brew amplifier with a fet (2N3819) but the radio is enough sensitive and doesn't need an amplifier. I don't use external antennas cause electrostatic discharge can damage the first stage.

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> Boulmé <michel.boulme@> wrote:
> >
> > Hi All,
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> > I tried to receive France Inter 162 kHz, a station 555 km distant from my
> > location.
> >
> > a) Ferrite antenna connected:
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> > Signal is poor, no bar on S-meter but well audible and intelligible.

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> > b) Telescopic antenna:
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> > No signal and severe noise.
> >
> > c) 31MS active loop antenna:
> >
> > No signal and no noise.
> >
> > My conclusion: No interest. (and you ?)
> >
> > Reminder:
> >
> > To disconnect ferrite antenna select 1711 by direct entry [1] [7] [1] [1]
> > [BAND+] and scan down until the desired frequency [BAND-] for 2 seconds.
> >
> > Best regards.
> >
> > MichelB
> >
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3075. Degen 1106

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-23 13:37:26 UTC
From: Marco Bombelli - IK2CHZ
Topic: 3075 Message: 3075

Hello.

Is there a group for the new Degen 1106?

Or there is someone here who has it?

I'm waiting for my new 1106 from far east bought on Ebay.

73, Marco Bombelli IK2CHZ - K2CHZ

Info on: <http://www.qrz.com/db/ik2chz> http://www.qrz.com/db/ik2chz

My last mobile position: <http://www.aprs.fi/ik2chz-9>
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My web site: <http://www.ik2chz.it> http://www.ik2chz.it

3076. Re: Degen 1106

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-23 14:54:14 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 3075 Message: 3076

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73, Leon

3077. RE: [de1103] Re: Degen 1106

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-23 14:56:02 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 3075 Message: 3077

Hi Leon,

It should be G3...^_^

- Tao Qu

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Leon
Sent: Friday, December 23, 2011 10:54 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: Degen 1106

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3078. Re: [de1103] Degen 1106

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-23 18:45:52 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 3075 Message: 3078

Anyways, it will be interesting you to share your first impressions with us, in particular compared to the DE1103 (in radio, regardless it includes a mp3 recorder, if I'm not wrong).

73 de Horacio
CX3BZ

De: Marco Bombelli - IK2CHZ <marco_bombelli@...>
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Enviado: viernes 23 de diciembre de 2011 11:37
Asunto: [de1103] Degen 1106

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3079. Antenna connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-25 15:37:04 UTC
From: Michel Boulmé
Topic: 3079 Message: 3079

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http://www.vk2zay.net/article/47 .

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that the connection is between sleeve and tip of the ☐3.5 mm stereo jack
plug☐, the ring is not connected.

But if I see the schematic that one can find at http://ukradio.info/Degen
--> Drawings, connection is between sleeve and contact number 2.

If sleeve is 1 and tip is 3 contact number 2 is the ring and according to my
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Best regards.

MichelB

3080. Re: [de1103] Antenna connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-25 16:14:14 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 3079 Message: 3080

Hi Michel - We went through this some years ago - using a mono plug - sleeve earth, tip active - works fine, but only above 1.7MHz. Below 1.7MHz, the ferrite rod is engaged - unless you use the below 100KHz mode, and tune upward.
Regards,
Bob, VK2CAN.

From: Michel Boulmé <michel.boulme@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, 26 December 2011 2:37 AM
Subject: [de1103] Antenna connection

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3081. RE: [de1103] Antenna connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-26 16:22:37 UTC
From: Michel Boulmé
Topic: 3079 Message: 3081

OK, thank you Bob.

De : de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] De la part de Bob Yorston
Envoyé : dimanche 25 décembre 2011 17:14
À : de1103@yahoogroups.com
Objet : Re: [de1103] Antenna connection

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3082. Battery TEST results - Long life NiMh rechargeables

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-27 01:38:01 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 3082 Message: 3082

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As far as the GP 3000 (2900 mAh) I used them, over the last 4 yrs, got use out of them, but they were always lame... They were so cheap I did not care. They were fine for low drain items. All have started to die, don't hold charge voltage. The BC-9009 battery analyzer says they have approx 380 mAh capacity or less. LESSON BUY GOOD BATTERIES. Get the Sanyo (not the environmental "green" ones, not to be confused with Sanyo's that some times come in plain green cases with no label), or the PowerEx, IMEDION. I paid $32 for (12) 2400 mAh IMEDION AA's on eBay, ~2.67 each. All the GP 3000's are in the trash. I first got NiMh about 1996. Those batteries lased about 10 years.

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3083. Re: [de1103] Battery TEST results - Long life NiMh rechargeables

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-27 04:28:33 UTC
From: Joshua Everett
Topic: 3082 Message: 3083

Thanks, very informative.

On Mon, Dec 26, 2011 at 8:38 PM, Greg <gmcjetpilot@...> wrote:

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3084. Re: Battery TEST results - Long life NiMh rechargeables ---REPLY

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-28 04:43:53 UTC
From: norsk4488
Topic: 3082 Message: 3084

One other point that should be made is that if you want rechargables that actually maintain their charge for any length of time they will not be rated higher than 2000 ma/hrs.

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3085. Re: Battery TEST results - Long life NiMh rechargeables ---REPLY

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-28 09:57:38 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 3082 Message: 3085

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3086. Re: Battery TEST results - Long life NiMh rechargeables ---REPLY

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2011-12-30 20:32:44 UTC
From: norsk4488
Topic: 3082 Message: 3086

@mvs:

It is always a good idea to bring the initial charge of new nimh to full before using them for the first time.

Also not critical but still important do not let them FULLY discharge. Most electronics that use rechargables will shut a unit off before the batteries are fully discharged but not all. I have noticed that if I let nimh fully discharge it greatly shortens the life of the batteries .

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mvs" <mvs_sarma@...> wrote:
>
> we are to initial charge the batteries, preferably as per manufacturers instructions, and may not be with the de1103 internal facility.
> later once we insert in the radio, they would work better.
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "norsk4488" <norsk4488@> wrote:
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> >
> > One other point that should be made is that if you want rechargables that actually maintain their charge for any length of time they will not be rated higher than 2000 ma/hrs.
> >
> > I have found that major brand names like Duracell 2650 ma/hr. will give you that extra time you need but they WILL NOT HOLD THAT CHARGE FOR MORE THAN A MONTH OR SO! While the "PRECHARGED" 2000 ma/hr Duracell will hold a full charge for almost a year or more.
> >
> > Bottom line if you use your batts often and recharge them every month or less the longer Ma/hr versions are good.
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> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Joshua Everett <jbe123@> wrote:
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> > > Thanks, very informative.
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> > > On Mon, Dec 26, 2011 at 8:38 PM, Greg <gmcjetpilot@> wrote:
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> > > > Well a few years ago I tried to compare NiMh rechargeables to the standard
> > > > ones that came with the radio, the 1300 mAh and some new ones advertised to

> > > > have 2900 mAh capacity. I purchased some GP 3000's off of eBay, thinking
> > > > they would be great, but they were no better than the 1300 mAh, may be
> > > > worse.... they were less than a buck a piece. Now I know two things: If you
> > > > want great NiMh you will pay about $4.00 each (may be $2.70 in quantity (,
> > > > and they will be made by Sanyo or PowerEx (IMEDION). NOW SKIP AHEAD TO
> > > > TODAY...
> > > >
> > > > I bought 12 PowerEx 2400 mAh batteries and a cool charger, La Crosse
> > > > BC-9009 charger & analyzer (which can test batteries and tell you the
> > > > capacity in mAh or Ah, among many cool features).
> > > >
> > > > THE TEST!
> > > > I used NPR 91.10 Mhz, Stereo and VOL set to "16", a good listening level
> > > > with speaker. I ran the radio until it shut down.
> > > >
> > > > Stock batteries 11 hours
> > > > PowerEx IMEDION 2400 mAh = 24-25 hours!!! *
> > > >
> > > > Battery analyzer:
> > > > Stock 1300 mAh batteries = ~860 mAh**
> > > > PowerEx IMEDION = ~2250 mAh
> > > >
> > > > ** The stock batteries are about 5 yrs old. Have not noticed appreciable
> > > > drop off in performance but no doubt they are weaker than new.
> > > >
> > > > * Also the stock batteries were used soon after charging. The IMEDION
> > > > (PowerEx) sat around for a day or two. Their charged voltage was 1.49 volts
> > > > after two days was 1.45 volts or so.
> > > >
> > > > How FM stereo one vol relates to listening to SW and MW I don't know,
> > > > regarding battery drain? I picked FM stereo and the 16 volume as a test
> > > > point.
> > > >
> > > > I am going to keep the stock batteries in the radio for a few reasons. The
> > > > trickle charger built into the DE1103/KA1103 is only 100 mAh current. So it
> > > > will take +24 hours to charge high capacity batteries. In fact it may never
> > > > get them to full charge? 100 mAh may be too low for the high capacity
> > > > batteries. My fancy new BC-9009 has variable charge rates, 200 mAh min, to
> > > > 1800 mAh max. I prefer to use the lower rates just to be kind to the
> > > > batteries.
> > > >
> > > > As far as the GP 3000 (2900 mAh) I used them, over the last 4 yrs, got use
> > > > out of them, but they were always lame... They were so cheap I did not
> > > > care. They were fine for low drain items. All have started to die, don't
> > > > hold charge voltage. The BC-9009 battery analyzer says they have approx 380
> > > > mAh capacity or less. LESSON BUY GOOD BATTERIES. Get the Sanyo (not the
> > > > environmental "green" ones, not to be confused with Sanyo's that some times
> > > > come in plain green cases with no label), or the PowerEx, IMEDION. I paid
> > > > $32 for (12) 2400 mAh IMEDION AA's on eBay, ~2.67 each. All the GP 3000's
> > > > are in the trash. I first got NiMh about 1996. Those batteries lased about

> > > > 10 years.
> > > >
> > > > My La Crosse came with (4) 2600 mAh AA's and (4) 1000 mAh AAA's. It takes
> > > > over a day to test high capacity batteries. First it fully chargers (can
> > > > still take 12 hours to charge even at 200 mAh). I could charge and
> > > > discharge at faster rates, but I choose the min rate, 200 mAh charge and by
> > > > default 100 mAh discharge. Once it calculates the capacity (mAh or Ah) it
> > > > displays it, then charges them back up, ending the charge, discharge TEST
> > > > charge cycle. The BC-9009 also has a refresh mode as well. It gives voltage
> > > > and total time of charge or discharge cycles. Pretty cool.
> > > >
> > > > So for those of complaining of low run time get some high capacity
> > > > batteries. However if you do run high capacity plan on taking them out to
> > > > charge them in a good charger. I like charging in the radio too much to be
> > > > bothered. 7-11 hours of operation is enough, as I am around AC and can
> > > > charge or run off the wall wart. However I use it on battery power 98% of
> > > > the time. If I ever go camping away from AC I will put the IMEDION's in.
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> > > > NOTE DON'T BUY BATTERIES CLAIMING THEY ARE 3000 mAh... I personally think
> > > > the honest rating, MAX is going to be in the 2100-2600 mAh range.
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> > > > Last, I am not selling anything... there may be other good brands of AA
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3087. low/ saturated volume with KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-01-01 15:01:58 UTC
From: Eric
Topic: 3087 Message: 3087

I have owned the KA1103 for quite some time, over 4 years I would guess. It worked fine until a year ago. I can no longer get much volume out of the radio, even at the highest setting. However, even though the total volume remains low at the maximum, and does change when turning up or down, I still hear saturation of volume when near the max even though the output I hear is low. I've tried plugging in an external speaker, but volume still low. I've also tried resetting the unit, but didn't make any difference.

Troubleshooting tips are difficult to find on this radio, which is why I am asking here.

Thanks in advance for any help provided.

Eric

3088. Re: [de1103] low/ saturated volume with KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-01-02 03:37:14 UTC
From: Vimal
Topic: 3087 Message: 3088

Hi,
Did you try plugging in/out a few times 3.5mm pin in line out & headphone jack.

On Sun, Jan 1, 2012 at 8:31 PM, Eric <astro4565@...> wrote:

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> Eric
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3089. Re: low/ saturated volume with KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-01-02 10:40:56 UTC
From: Ed
Topic: 3087 Message: 3089

Did you tried reset the De1103 ?
Between sleep and hold buttons there is a little hole named "reset"
You can use a toothpick
I got twice my Degen working again after I reset the receiver.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Eric" <astro4565@...> wrote:
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>
> Eric
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3090. Re: [de1103] Re: low/ saturated volume with KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-01-02 11:58:11 UTC
From: Eric Tv
Topic: 3087 Message: 3090

Hi Ed and Vimal,

Yes, I have tried resetting the unit several times. Didn't help. I also plugged/ unplugged the external speaker several times. Like I said, I can hear audio and I do have volume control but everything is low. I start getting a lot of audio saturation and breaking up when the volume control is about halfway up (20), but even then what I am hearing is still very low. So it's like the audio circuits are working, but the full output isn't getting to the speaker.

Eric

----- Original Message -----
From: Ed
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, January 02, 2012 5:40 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: low/ saturated volume with KA1103

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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Eric" <astro4565@...> wrote:
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3091. Re: [de1103] Re: low/ saturated volume with KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-01-02 14:36:51 UTC
From: digitalham@gmail.com
Topic: 3087 Message: 3091

How is the audio from the line-out jack? I was thinking it could be a speaker/phones amplifier problem.

On 1/2/2012 3:58 AM, Eric Tv wrote:
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> Hi Ed and Vimal,
> Yes, I have tried resetting the unit several times. Didn't help. I also
> plugged/ unplugged the external speaker several times. Like I said, I
> can hear audio and I do have volume control but everything is low. I
> start getting a lot of audio saturation and breaking up when the volume
> control is about halfway up (20), but even then what I am hearing is
> still very low. So it's like the audio circuits are working, but the
> full output isn't getting to the speaker.
> Eric
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> ----- Original Message -----
> *From:* Ed <mailto:tique07@...>
> *To:* de1103@yahoogroups.com <mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> *Sent:* Monday, January 02, 2012 5:40 AM
> *Subject:* [de1103] Re: low/ saturated volume with KA1103
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> "Eric" <astro4565@...> wrote:
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3092. Re: low/ saturated volume with KA1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-01-03 00:12:37 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 3087 Message: 3092

If all other possibilities have been tried then there is a chance of a bad capacitor or audio amp, either one is easy to change out if the amp is to had. I would suspect the capacitor(s). Since the volume pads the audio and is often used it could break or a loose solder joint could happen.
Check these.... Volume control, bad solder joints, speaker, external speaker jack, capacitors in the audio stage,

73 Rod KB8DNS

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Eric" <astro4565@...> wrote:
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> Eric
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3093. Hard reset

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-01-09 20:55:42 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 3093 Message: 3093

I have had the chance to work on several of these receivers and the "cousins" such as the Kaito KA-1103 and Grundig G5. I am sure there are others.
The ones that make it to me have "locked" up to where they are not receiving but just a weak static and other functions seem to work fine.
Pressing the reset does nothing no matter how many times or how long it is held down.
Here is what I do.... remove all screws that hold the front and back cabinet, pry apart gently, install batteries only! power the rig.... Carefully reach in th cabinet and disconnect the ribbon cable and reinsert....!
So far this has worked for me in four examples! Not knowing exactly what this does, I cannot recommend this for everyone! I would think it "unloads" a static "lock" condition. I have notified the "powers that be" about this and they are passing it on to the factory.

73 Rod KB8DNS

3094. Antenna Warning and Question...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-01-10 19:08:35 UTC
From: james-joseph..
Topic: 3094 Message: 3094

I had my extendable sw/fm antenna become loose and I tighten the base screw to remove the floppiness and must have got it to tight. Now it comes right out of the base. The warning to others is to be very careful when adjusting the base screw or you will end up with an antenna that barely stays in one place.

Does anyone know how to fix this problem ?

When I first ordered and received my Kaito 1103 from Universal Radio, I received a defective unit with the same problem. So even the factory has done the same thing I did.

I really like this radio and have it's cousin, Degen 1121 a very good radio also.

Putting solder into the base would prevent its ability to swivel.

I am hoping someone has done this repair and shares the info with the group.

I may have to replace my 1103 with the newest radio wonder, the Tecsun 660. But I really enjoy the retro look of the 1103, and prefer to keep it in operation.

Thanks in advance to all who will reply...Joe in WVa...

3095. Re: [de1103] Antenna Warning and Question...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-01-11 00:38:29 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3094 Message: 3095

Hi. Replacement antennas are available on the eton website, and on
ebay. Antennas for the E5/G5 are the same as the DE/KA 1103.

ttyl

On 01/10/2012 01:08 PM, james-joseph.. wrote:
> I had my extendable sw/fm antenna become loose and I tighten the base
> screw to remove the floppiness and must have got it to tight. Now it
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> Does anyone know how to fix this problem ?

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KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell
A Satisfied Aptosid Linux user! To get Aptosid go to: www.aptosid.com
They say that if you play a Microsoft CD backwards, you hear satanic
voices. That's nothing, because if you play it forwards, it installs
Windows! Best privacy policy: Never Ever entrust your data to anyone
but yourself!!!

3096. Antenna Warning and Question...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-01-11 01:16:31 UTC
From: james-joseph..
Topic: 3094 Message: 3096

Thanks for the reply....I decided to take the radio apart and have a look. I agree that the only way to fix this is through replacement. I was going back into the message section and saw a ebay link...about $9.00 shipped. Will check other sites as well. To good of a radio to not use anymore over this issue. I would not mind paying more for a better design, if anyone has a link. Also had to do a reset after reattachment...Joe in WVA..

3097. Re: Hard reset

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-01-14 19:48:50 UTC
From: JohnB123
Topic: 3093 Message: 3097

Thanks! My 1103 has been like this for several months. Just getting ready to toss it and get a new one when this post appeared. I tried it and it works like new! Thanks again, John

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "poikaa" <kb8dns@...> wrote:
>
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3098. Problem sensitivity band 28 MHz SW

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-01-31 00:39:12 UTC
From: stefy506
Topic: 3098 Message: 3098

Hy, my problem on Degen 1103, found a low low sensitivity 'bands 24 26 27 28 mhz.....I remember that once worked well even in high bandwidth.....The low bands 3.6 /7/ 14 mhz all very ok,sensitivity is good!!!Example = 27 mhz CB band, AM signal S9 with receiver Kenwood TS440---with DEGEN = just just you hear something.....
I have seen changes Radioscanner RU for extended low-pass filter around 30 MHz, but I think that the defect does not depend on this.
I recall a time I listened ok even in band 27 / 28 mhz ... now only the low bands .... very very strange.....Happens to someone the same problem? Sorry for the English, and 'was translated by google. Thanks Stefano.

3099. Re: Problem sensitivity band 28 MHz SW

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-01-31 01:44:51 UTC
From: stefy506
Topic: 3098 Message: 3099

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "stefy506" <stefy506@...> wrote:
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Ahhh sorry sorry ....the problem exists with both stylus antenna with external antenna is for the desired frequency!!!!!! 73!

3100. Re: [de1103] Re: Problem sensitivity band 28 MHz SW

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-01-31 04:18:59 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 3098 Message: 3100

I think you will find that the top bands will be a little insensitive, on most of the radios that I have owned including communications receivers I've noticed the same thing. The best way of overcoming the problem is to use an antenna tuner or a preselector or both if you can.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "stefy506" <stefy506@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 31, 2012 2:44 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Problem sensitivity band 28 MHz SW

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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "stefy506" <stefy506@...> wrote:
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3101. Re: Problem sensitivity band 28 MHz SW

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-01-31 08:36:18 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 3098 Message: 3101

I would also recommend using a resonant antenna for those frequencies. On my ten meter beam my radio wakes right up!

73 Rod KB8DNS

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "stefy506" <stefy506@...> wrote:
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3103. Re: Problem sensitivity band 28 MHz SW

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-01-31 22:17:26 UTC
From: stefy506
Topic: 3098 Message: 3103

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "stefy506" <stefy506@...> wrote:
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TKS Paul and Poikaa , I would like to tests done by other.I only use antennas tuned to the resonant frequency =ex 27and 28 mhz =I use GP for 10 mt band, 40 80 mt =i use dipole dedicate ecc ecc....I would like to try a preselector as recommended by Paul, I look forward checks and tests in these bands (27 28 MHz) by other fans, thanks.Stefano.

3104. Re: Problem sensitivity band 28 MHz SW

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-01-31 23:21:53 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 3098 Message: 3104

I am not sure of the input impedance of the DE-1103, I believe it to be around 300 ohms. When I use my ten meter beam (home brew) I can only use the center pin of the coaxial cable as it is 50 ohms nominal. With this configuration it becomes more like 300 ohms but the exact figure is hard to figure.
A preselector or matching device may do the "trick" to correct the ground plane's signal ringing or unwanted signal reflection. Ground plane design varies greatly and resonance may be found by the use of L/C networks that work in transmission circuits that can be a mismatch for the 1103.
My three element 10 meter beam uses a gamma match that is resonate from 26.5 to 29.0 mHz. It is all aluminum and all elements are common with the boom in that there is no insulators used save for the feed point of the coax. The gamma match is about 22 inches long with a buss strap to the driven element. It is made from two pieces of aluminum tubing sliding into each other with a poly tubing separator. All this is designed to be a proper 50 ohm match to the transmitter / receiver.
On my 1103 or any other receiver I use the center pin of the PL259 connector only and the mass of aluminum is a great signal "net" but still resonate at 26 to 29 mHz.

73 Rod KB8DNS

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3105. Re: Problem sensitivity band 28 MHz SW

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-02-01 00:15:39 UTC
From: stefy506
Topic: 3098 Message: 3105

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "poikaa" <kb8dns@...> wrote:
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3106. Re: Problem sensitivity band 28 MHz SW

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-02-01 01:19:40 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 3098 Message: 3106

Ha!
Low voltage! Yes it can make for some really interesting effects! But it is low on the cause factor in that one does not think of it as a problem!

Good job!

73 Rod KB8DNS

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3107. Re: [de1103] Re: Problem sensitivity band 28 MHz SW

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-02-01 05:02:55 UTC
From: robert gorsch
Topic: 3098 Message: 3107

Hi:

Regarding the External Antenna Jack for the DE/KA ll03:

The manuals for the Eton E5 and the Grundig G5 explicitly state that the Antenna Jack is for low impedance, 50 to 75 ohm, feedlines. I am guessing that the same is true for the KA/DE 1103.

Robert G.

--- On Tue, 1/31/12, poikaa <kb8dns@...> wrote:

From: poikaa <kb8dns@...>
Subject: [de1103] Re: Problem sensitivity band 28 MHz SW
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Tuesday, January 31, 2012, 3:21 PM

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> thanks.Stefano.

>

3108. rtr

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-02-14 13:41:48 UTC
From: RONALD R REAL
Topic: 3108 Message: 3108

Dear friend!
http://www.folhadeitapetininga.com.br/downtown.php?gicinID=53

Tue, 14 Feb 2012 14:41:46

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"One would call out: Corporal of Guard Number One! This was repeated from one sentry to another till it reached the barracks and No." (c) Rome winbaltic

3109. Power connector pin size?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-02-17 19:31:37 UTC
From: dwarmstr
Topic: 3109 Message: 3109

What is the size of the DC power connector, the barrel and the pin, on the Degen 1103?

3112. Re: Power connector pin size?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-02-19 01:26:02 UTC
From: stefy506
Topic: 3109 Message: 3112

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "dwarmstr" <dwarmstr@...> wrote:
>
> What is the size of the DC power connector, the barrel and the pin, on the Degen 1103?
>

Outer diameter of the plug connector = 4 mm. / / The central hole accepts a pin of 1.5 mm.
Plug length =10 mm
These are measures of the external male connector, not the female socket of Degen! Ok?

Best 73 ! Stefano.

3113. Re: Power connector pin size?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-02-20 23:20:04 UTC
From: dwarmstr
Topic: 3109 Message: 3113

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "stefy506" <stefy506@...> wrote:
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Grazie Stefano! Thank you very much.

3114. Re: KA1103 shuts off-loose wire or ?? This happen 2 you?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-02-29 16:26:28 UTC
From: ko
Topic: 3060 Message: 3114

Martin-

A late thanks for your reply. I need to get a slimmer shafted screwdriver to get the back open.
I just charged batteries in the radio.
If I can't fix the connection myself I'll wind up getting extra sets of nimh's and my charger hany.

Thanks again and Best regards,

Kerry

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Martin <kb0hae@...> wrote:
>
> Hi. While I do not have this problem with my KA1103 (I only use the
> adapter to charge batteries), it is a fairly common problem with laptops
> and other devices where the power jack is soldered to the circuit board.
> Eventually bad solder joints develop where the connector is soldered
> to the circuit board. Usually just reheating the solder joints will fix
> the problem (until it happens again after a few years). Do you have
> batteries in the radio? What type?
>
> If you do resolder the connections, be careful to heat the joint only
> until the solder flows freely. Overheating can cause more problems. I
> would get a 30 watt or smaller soldering iron. You should read up on
> soldering, or if you know someone that has experirnce soldering have
> them help you.
>
> Whatever you do, be careful and do not burn yourself or anything else.
>
> ttyl.
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> On 12/05/2011 07:58 PM, ko wrote:
> > Hello all,
> >
> > I love my ka1103-I've had it for a while, I'd say 6 years but perhaps
> > longer.
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> > Has anyone had a problem where the ac adapter plugs into the radio,
> > then if you say move the radio and the wire moves or turns the radio
> > just shuts off? I have the original and a matching RS ac adapter, it
> > does this with both.
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> >
> > Understanding there might be a crack or broken wire in the ac
> > adapter, I'm thinking there might be a loose connection inside where

> > the receptacle is.
> >
> > Anyone else have this problem and if so, what was wrong and what did
> > you do to resolve it? I'll eventually look at it, maybe a soldering
> > gun kit is in my future. Thank you,
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> KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell
> A Satisfied Aptosid Linux user! To get Aptosid go to: www.aptosid.com
> They say that if you play a Microsoft CD backwards, you hear satanic
> voices. That's nothing, because if you play it forwards, it installs
> Windows! Best privacy policy: Never Ever entrust your data to anyone
> but yourself!!!
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3115. New KA 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-03-14 08:08:25 UTC
From: richnlewis
Topic: 3115 Message: 3115

I just bought a Kaito KA 1103. I tell you that the radio I bought directly from Kaito surpasses any Short Wave Radio in Sensitivity and Selectivity I have ever owned. The most sensitive radio I have owned is a Hammerlund HQ-100 and and a Yaesu FRG-7 which I owned but pawned came close but was not as sensitive as the Kaito KA 1103. This radio on AM surpasses the GE SuperRadio III that I sold. And this radio was more sensitive than the Grundig G4000A that I own presently.

Several things I found out and have questions:

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2. How long does it take to charge up the Ni-Cads that came with the Radio?

I haven't checked to see if they had diodes at the Antenna input. I need to check this.

If any of you can answer my questions I would be much obliged.

3116. Re: New KA 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-03-14 10:43:54 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 3115 Message: 3116

all the best with a new radio thta you liked.
the replies are
1. diretly punch a value in LW range and press band+
thereafter tune various locations of that range.
2. 3. Charging time can be calculated as: Charging hours =
Battery Power (mAH) / 100mA (charging current).

and

3.there are no diodes as per some sch i had luckily.

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3117. Re: [de1103] Re: Hard reset

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-04-21 09:08:18 UTC
From: linutas
Topic: 3093 Message: 3117

Thank you so much, i tought it was the end of my radio life, now it works all good!

2012 m. sausio 14 d. 21:48, JohnB123 <johnb123@...> rašė:

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> Thanks! My 1103 has been like this for several months. Just getting ready
> to toss it and get a new one when this post appeared. I tried it and it
> works like new! Thanks again,
> John
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "poikaa" <kb8dns@...> wrote:
> >
> > I have had the chance to work on several of these receivers and the
> "cousins" such as the Kaito KA-1103 and Grundig G5. I am sure there are
> others.
> > The ones that make it to me have "locked" up to where they are not
> receiving but just a weak static and other functions seem to work fine.
> > Pressing the reset does nothing no matter how many times or how long it
> is held down.
> > Here is what I do.... remove all screws that hold the front and back
> cabinet, pry apart gently, install batteries only! power the rig....
> Carefully reach in th cabinet and disconnect the ribbon cable and
> reinsert....!
> > So far this has worked for me in four examples! Not knowing exactly what
> this does, I cannot recommend this for everyone! I would think it "unloads"
> a static "lock" condition. I have notified the "powers that be" about this
> and they are passing it on to the factory.
> >
> > 73 Rod KB8DNS
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3118. User manual

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-05-14 22:28:20 UTC
From: peter
Topic: 3118 Message: 3118

Hi,

Is there users/operators manual official or unofficial for the de1103 that is readable(especially the pictures) without the use of a magnifying glass? Or a pdf file that can be printed out to a regular size.

Regards,
Peter

3119. Re: [de1103] User manual

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-05-15 04:36:59 UTC
From: digitalham@gmail.com
Topic: 3118 Message: 3119

Did you try these?

http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/newstar_dr111/files/Manuals/

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3120. Re: User manual

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-05-15 06:14:38 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 3118 Message: 3120

PDF file is very much available.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "peter" <peterconway.ndb@...> wrote:
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3121. Re: New KA 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-05-15 16:36:20 UTC
From: n7xgr
Topic: 3115 Message: 3121

Rich, This photo shows the RF board, look in the upper right corner where two diodes at the external antenna jack for static protection. If you unit is the latest version, these should be there.

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/photos/album/1918863437/pic/1023451411/view?picmode=large&mode=tn&order=ordinal&start=1&dir=asc

Photos-Degen DE1103-By lopo100z

Bruce N7XGR

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3122. Re. User manual

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-05-16 06:26:14 UTC
From: peter
Topic: 3122 Message: 3122

Hi all,

Thanks to everyone who kindly sent me DE1103 manual files/directions.
No more magnifying glass now...!
73,
Peter g3ufi

3123. DE-1103 Latest Production

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-05-16 09:57:28 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 3118 Message: 3123

I just bought a new DE-1103 to replace one that stopped working. I had two from very early production and I also have an E5 and a G5 which are essentially the same radio with an enhanced user interface. The RF performance of the original DE-1103's, the E5 and G5 seems identical.

This newest 1103 does not perform as well on AM as any of the older 1103's or the E5/G5 which I still have for direct comparison. It seems that the internal noise floor is a bit higher on this newest sample.

Can anyone else here comment on recent production 1103's compared with earlier ones?

Jay
www.radiojayallen.com

3124. Re: [de1103] DE-1103 Latest Production

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-05-16 12:00:04 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 3118 Message: 3124

Jay,
I bought my DE1103 new in July 2010. It is a very strong performer on both SW and MW, to the point that I sometimes dare to compare its reception with my SW77 and ICF 2010!

Thanks,
Bruno floating in Belgium

MvG, Best regards, Meilleures salutations, Mit freundlichen Grussen,
Bruno Geuth

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--- On Wed, 5/16/12, jallenhartford2000 <jaypolicow@...> wrote:

From: jallenhartford2000 <jaypolicow@...>
Subject: [de1103] DE-1103 Latest Production
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Wednesday, May 16, 2012, 11:57 AM

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3125. Re: DE-1103 Latest Production

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-05-16 12:39:25 UTC
From: DJ Formaldehyde
Topic: 3118 Message: 3125

Hi Bruno,

I know what you mean. I bought mine around the same time that you did. Once I got it it made my Grundig S350 look like garbage. (Aside from the sound out of the speaker).
As far as sensitivity goes, on an unmatched antenna, it seems as sensitive as my Icom R71.
Of course, the selectivity on the Icom is better, but I can't take the Icom on trips.
To me the DE-1103 is a great little performer. I bought it for $89US, shipping included.
Love this little unit.

Cheers

Andreas

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3126. Re: [de1103] DE-1103 Latest Production

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-05-16 18:49:46 UTC
From: Sebastian
Topic: 3118 Message: 3126

Hi,

have you opened the device and checked the revision number on the PCB?

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Von: jallenhartford2000 <jaypolicow@snet.net>
An: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Gesendet: 11:57 Mittwoch, 16.Mai 2012
Betreff: [de1103] DE-1103 Latest Production

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http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

3127. de1103 stand

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-01 15:19:00 UTC
From: hardrain
Topic: 3127 Message: 3127

It happened eventually... I broke the back stand of my DE1103.
Could not find the spare part on Ebay... Anyone knows where may I find a replacement?

Thanks!

Raffaello
I1HNY

3128. Re: [de1103] de1103 stand

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-01 17:50:18 UTC
From: robert gorsch
Topic: 3127 Message: 3128

Check out tquchina's store at

http://www.ebay.com/sch/tquchina/m.html

--- On Fri, 6/1/12, hardrain <i1hnyxxx@...> wrote:

From: hardrain <i1hnyxxx@...>
Subject: [de1103] de1103 stand
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, June 1, 2012, 8:19 AM

It happened eventually... I broke the back stand of my DE1103.
Could not find the spare part on Ebay... Anyone knows where may I find a
replacement?

Thanks!

Raffaello
I1HNY

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3129. Re: de1103 stand

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-01 19:25:49 UTC
From: BikePackin@aol.com
Topic: 3127 Message: 3129

Yo Hardrain - I had been on alert for this to happen to me as well.... and it did, even tho I was careful to avoid. Cause I didn't know where to go or even if it was possible to find the part I got lazy, I spose, and I just propped the 1103 up (~45 degree) with the non-extented antenna stem. I am just as happy this way for SWL, anyway cause I use the longwire for my antenna. Also, I had thought about just getting a clear plastic picture stander-upper from a dollar type store...but ended up happy enough with my antenna prop instead.
Happy listening - f.

3130. Re: [de1103] de1103 stand

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-01 21:15:52 UTC
From: mike mcmanus
Topic: 3127 Message: 3130

On 6/1/2012 11:19 AM, hardrain wrote:
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> replacement?
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3131. Re: [de1103] de1103 stand

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-01 21:17:35 UTC
From: mike mcmanus
Topic: 3127 Message: 3131

On 6/1/2012 11:19 AM, hardrain wrote:
> It happened eventually... I broke the back stand of my DE1103.
> Could not find the spare part on Ebay... Anyone knows where may I find a
> replacement?
>
> Thanks!
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> Raffaello
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Hello
Try Kaito USA in California. I bought a battery cover for a Tecsun
PL 660 from them.
Mike

3132. Re: de1103 stand

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-02 21:02:20 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 3127 Message: 3132

When it happened to my G5 I just made a new pin with .050" diameter steel music wire I have lying around. I drilled deep into the stand lengthwise with a pinvise, then secured the wire with CA and cut it to length. That new pin will never give out.

Nelson

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> replacement?
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3133. Re: [de1103] Re: de1103 stand

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-03 01:51:54 UTC
From: Aluizio Antonio dos Santos
Topic: 3127 Message: 3133

hi Nelson
Can you put a photo of your "art"?
Tks
Aluizio
----- Original Message -----
From: Nelson
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, June 02, 2012 6:02 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: de1103 stand

When it happened to my G5 I just made a new pin with .050" diameter steel music wire I have lying around. I drilled deep into the stand lengthwise with a pinvise, then secured the wire with CA and cut it to length. That new pin will never give out.

Nelson

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3134. Re: de1103 stand

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-03 22:45:13 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 3127 Message: 3134

I'll have to remove it to take a photo, so I'll try to get one up soon.

Nelson

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Aluizio Antonio dos Santos" <aluiziosantos@...> wrote:
>
> hi Nelson
> Can you put a photo of your "art"?
> Tks
> Aluizio
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> From: Nelson
> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Saturday, June 02, 2012 6:02 PM
> Subject: [de1103] Re: de1103 stand
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3135. Re: [de1103] Re: de1103 stand

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-03 23:24:46 UTC
From: john
Topic: 3127 Message: 3135

The one linked to on Ebay was less than $5 IIRC

John

3136. Re: [de1103] Re: de1103 stand

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-04 12:59:24 UTC
From: hardrain
Topic: 3127 Message: 3136

I could not find the Ebay shop. Also the one suggested by Robert:

http://www.ebay.com/sch/tquchina/m.html

Gives no results (This Store currently has 0 listings.) No better luck on Kaito websites.

Thanks guys for all your suggestions anyway. I'll use for a while the non-extented antenna stem (thanks BikePackin), while I'm trying to replace the plastic pin with a metal one as suggested by Nelson :)

Ciao!

Raffaello
I1HNY

Il 04/06/2012 01:24, john ha scritto:
> The one linked to on Ebay was less than $5 IIRC
>
> John
>
>

3137. Re: [de1103] Re: de1103 stand hardrain

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-04 19:49:46 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 3137 Message: 3137

Hi

He has more than 10 stands available
http://www.ebay.com/itm/FOLDING-BACK-STAND-FOR-DE1103-DIGITAL-PLL-DEGEN-RADIO-/130395341562?pt=US_Portable_AM_FM_Radios&hash=item1e5c2b02fa
price $4.99 plus freight.

Paul

----- Original Message -----
From: "hardrain" <i1hnyxxx@...>
To: <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 05, 2012 12:59 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: de1103 stand

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> http://www.ebay.com/sch/tquchina/m.html
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> Gives no results (This Store currently has 0 listings.) No better luck
> on Kaito websites.
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3138. Re: de1103 stand

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-04 23:08:43 UTC
From: BikePackin@aol.com
Topic: 3127 Message: 3138

The "drill 'n pin" sounds like a worthy notion.... am going to give that some thought and'll maybe try.

3139. Re: de1103 stand

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-05 18:17:33 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 3127 Message: 3139

It's stronger than the original plastic pin. I'd rather not have to remove the stand to photograph it since it requires bending it quite bit to get it out.

I'm a model railroader and I often use this method to repair and reinforce detail parts with wire as small as .015" dia., so this wasn't a big deal for me.

Nelson

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, BikePackin@... wrote:
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> some thought and'll maybe try.
>

3140. Re: de1103 stand

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-06 20:02:36 UTC
From: BikePackin@aol.com
Topic: 3127 Message: 3140

This,
_http://www.amazon.com/Gibson-Holders-Plate-Holder-Display/dp/B000RO7QCE/ref
=sr_1_2?ie=UTF8&qid=1339012841&sr=8-2_
(http://www.amazon.com/Gibson-Holders-Plate-Holder-Display/dp/B000RO7QCE/ref=sr_1_2?ie=UTF
8&qid=1339012841&sr=8-2
) ,
might work for just under $10 with shipping; however, first I am going to
see if I can find the equivalent at a near by Hobby Lobby.

3141. new from old de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-13 22:34:40 UTC
From: Bob Zimmermann
Topic: 3141 Message: 3141

Hello all I am new here , just ordered a degen de1103 from amazon .com.
From what i'v been reading there was an older model of this radio that
had som rinkles in it, and in the new improved model all that has been
fixed.
My question is , how does one tell the diference from the old and the
new improved model? is there a serial number range to look for or something like that?

3142. Re: [de1103] new from old de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-14 14:48:30 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3141 Message: 3142

Hi Bob. As far as I know there are 3 "versions". The oldest has no static protection diodes installed. Next there are the older models that had static protection diodes added as a factory "fix" (the same old circuit board). Then there is the current version that has the anti static diodes installed on a circuit board designed for them.

There is no way to tell which except to (carefully) open the case to see. See the photo section for pictures. There is an RF amp stage used with the whip that is easily burnt out by static if the protection diodes are not present. The Eton E5/Grundig G5 have the same receiver board as the Kato/Degen 1103, but have a different interface.

I have a KA1103 (older circuit board with diodes factory installed diodes) and a G5 that I installed the diodes in myself. Both work great! I do not recommend trying to install the diodes yourself (if they are not present) unless you have some experience in soldering electronic components.

Good Luck and enjoy your radio!

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Temporary Safety, deserve neither Liberty nor Safety." Benjamin Franklin (1818). Best privacy policy: Never Ever entrust your data to anyone but yourself!!!

3143. DEGEN 1103 - Power problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-14 19:15:36 UTC
From: MARCIO
Topic: 3143 Message: 3143

My DEGEN DE1103 shut down when I trigger the volume knob or frequency. This happened after a minor fall on the table, what's happening? 73 Márcio

3144. Re: DEGEN 1103 - Power problem

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-15 04:56:42 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 3143 Message: 3144

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "MARCIO" <marcio.antonio.dias20@...> wrote:
>
> My DEGEN DE1103 shut down when I trigger the volume knob or frequency. This happened after a minor fall on the table, what's happening? 73 Márcio
>

Fall on the table , or from the table !! Such falls could create drysolders at the worst. Especially check the battery connections to the pCB.

Obviously, we need to be careful not to create further issues while opening for attending.

3145. deaf on short wave

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-15 19:10:01 UTC
From: Joe
Topic: 3145 Message: 3145

My de 1103 has suddenly gone mostly deaf on short wave, with only 2 or 3 stations audible. Medium wave and FM are fine. Anyone have any ideas?

3146. Re: [de1103] deaf on short wave

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-15 20:10:39 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 3145 Message: 3146

The front-end antena amplifier FET has blown, due to static charges.
Search in this group under files section for techniques re. replacement (requires soldering by skilled person) and source location of that component.

Horacio
Uruguay

De: Joe <pjt05@...>
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Enviado: Viernes 15 de junio de 2012 16:10
Asunto: [de1103] deaf on short wave

My de 1103 has suddenly gone mostly deaf on short wave, with only 2 or 3 stations audible. Medium wave and FM are fine. Anyone have any ideas?

3147. Re: [de1103] deaf on short wave

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-15 20:17:26 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 3145 Message: 3147

On eBay, use one and surely you will have 99 spare parts!
http://www.ebay.com/itm/BF861B-25mA-20V-SMT-N-Channel-Junction-FET-100-LOT-/120633171633

Horacio

De: Horacio Nigro <hanigrodx@yahoo.es>
Para: "de1103@yahoogroups.com" <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Enviado: Viernes 15 de junio de 2012 17:10
Asunto: Re: [de1103] deaf on short wave

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Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Enviado: Viernes 15 de junio de 2012 16:10
Asunto: [de1103] deaf on short wave

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3148. Re: deaf on short wave

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-16 01:30:30 UTC
From: Joe
Topic: 3145 Message: 3148

many thanks Horacio!

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Horacio Nigro <hanigrodx@...> wrote:
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3149. Re: new from old de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-16 15:29:03 UTC
From: Bob Zimmermann
Topic: 3141 Message: 3149

Thanks for the info Martin, I'll look for the diods When i open the thing up. My radio arrived in 4 days from Amazon, seems real nice.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Martin <kb0hae@...> wrote:
>
> Hi Bob. As far as I know there are 3 "versions". The oldest has no
> static protection diodes installed. Next there are the older models
> that had static protection diodes added as a factory "fix" (the same old
> circuit board). Then there is the current version that has the anti
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3150. Re: deaf on short wave

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-16 18:51:20 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 3145 Message: 3150

I have uploaded a few pics of a replacement idea for the DE1103.... I did this to my Eton E5 but should be the same for the 1103.

73 Rod KB8DNS

I was given this idea from a user on the E5 group!

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Joe" <pjt05@...> wrote:
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3151. Re: deaf on short wave

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-16 21:28:14 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 3145 Message: 3151

Here's the link I posted on the E5 group that goes directly to their site. If there's no minimum, it's a lot cheaper this way.

http://www.westfloridacomponents.com/mm5/merchant.mvc?Screen=PROD&Product_Code=T066

Nelson

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> > Para: "de1103@yahoogroups.com" <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
> > Enviado: Viernes 15 de junio de 2012 17:10
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3152. vhf low band narrow fm tuning

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-06-26 06:20:56 UTC
From: Roberto
Topic: 3152 Message: 3152

Hi,
in Italy they are some intersting services on 70 - 68 mhz band.
the services are in Narrow fm. It's possible to tuning with degen 1103 ?
Exist some trick for force a "narrow like" fm (i.e. am with slope detection)

Thanks

Roberto iw2evk

3153. Re: DE-1103 Latest Production

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-07-06 11:31:31 UTC
From: hesalox
Topic: 3118 Message: 3153

Hello Jay, I have a DE1106 latest version, with 2 months of testing in comparison with a tecsun PL660, I noticed that narrow band reception the radio lost listening stations in sbb.
Under 1700MHz in AM, there's a disturbing background noise such as intermittent, weak a listen, I need to increase volume.
I'm planning to buy me the DE1103, I found on Spanish market and the previous version.
You wonder if your DE1103 latest (red chinese label), presents same problems with my DE1106?
Thank you for the info, Regards Stefano IS0HSl

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jallenhartford2000" <jaypolicow@...> wrote:
>
> I just bought a new DE-1103 to replace one that stopped working. I had two from very early production and I also have an E5 and a G5 which are essentially the same radio with an enhanced user interface. The RF performance of the original DE-1103's, the E5 and G5 seems identical.
>
> This newest 1103 does not perform as well on AM as any of the older 1103's or the E5/G5 which I still have for direct comparison. It seems that the internal noise floor is a bit higher on this newest sample.
>
> Can anyone else here comment on recent production 1103's compared with earlier ones?
>
> Jay
> www.radiojayallen.com
>

3154. Recent purchase = last year radio ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-07-06 13:37:54 UTC
From: tagoja2000
Topic: 3154 Message: 3154

Hi group

I just bought a De1103 from ebay (June 2012).
Nevertheless, when I opened the battery compartment the only reference to any serial number I could see is a label with : "2011/10"

No other number and/or letter is visible.
Do you think I should look inside at the PCB to see if it shows MarkIV or somothing like that?

I tried to insert a empty jack into the EXT antenna and the FM reception was noticeably attenuated.
According to what I read here it should be a NEW De1103.

Did it happened to any of you who bought recently a De1103 ?

73s
Marco

3155. A GREAT answer to the broken pop-out back stand :-)....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-07-07 17:22:23 UTC
From: abcaliasxyz
Topic: 3155 Message: 3155

Better yet, I would use this BEFORE the back stand breaks.
$4.00 + sales tax at the store...couldn't see the price on-line but here it is ~
http://www.michaels.com/Folding-Wire-Easel/fr0889,default,pd.html?cgid=products-framing-tabletop&start=15
This is a perfect fit with no impediment to the buttons at the base of the 1103 + the tilt is adjustable to any position from near horizonal to near verticle so that I can get the right lighting on the screen to be able to always see the channel panel without having to turn on the backlight facility. The white rubber coated stand causes no scratching to 1103 or table top. The metal hinges you see in the above link at the top of the Easel locate just above the 1103.
IN SUMMARY: It was if this Easel was made for our 1103s.

3156. Kaito or Degen ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-07-11 21:17:18 UTC
From: Gillis
Topic: 3156 Message: 3156

Hi

I am on my way to buy an 1103, which is better, Kaito or Degen ?
Are there any differences between those two.

I will like to go below 100 khz with the built in telescopic antenna, as we can see in this video.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jgVC7jtwszQ

Is this still possible with a new xx1103 ?

Thanks in advance.

Gillis

3157. RE: [de1103] Kaito or Degen ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-07-11 22:49:19 UTC
From: don sadam
Topic: 3156 Message: 3157

It's my understanding that they are the same Radio. The Kaito is just packaged for the US market and you can get them domestically. When I bought my Degen the only source was China. I purchased it from one of many E-bay listing. Kaito will be more expensive but you'll get it quicker. My Degen took about 2-3 weeks before it was delivered. Perhaps others have more up to date info. My degen is 5+ years old.
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
From: souchet@...
Date: Wed, 11 Jul 2012 21:17:18 +0000
Subject: [de1103] Kaito or Degen ?

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3158. Re: Kaito or Degen ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-07-12 05:31:09 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 3156 Message: 3158

I doint expect either DEGEN or Kaito, to work at 150KHz on telescopic antenna.
it only works on the rod antenna coil

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> Subject: [de1103] Kaito or Degen ?
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3159. Re: [de1103] Kaito or Degen ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-07-12 05:43:20 UTC
From: The Simpsons
Topic: 3156 Message: 3159

I ordered my Degen 1103 from ANON-CO on Ebay on the 4th o0f July. It arrived here in New Zealand today, 1 week later. Not bad service at all!
I ordered from them because of the good feedback rating and they ship from Hog Kong.
Shipping from Hong Kong is always much quicker than shipping from China.
Just plugged it in to charge the batteries so haven’t had a chance to play wit it yet!

Grant, ZL2BK.

From: don sadam
Sent: Thursday, July 12, 2012 10:49 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [de1103] Kaito or Degen ?

It's my understanding that they are the same Radio. The Kaito is just packaged for the US market and you can get them domestically. When I bought my Degen the only source was China. I purchased it from one of many E-bay listing. Kaito will be more expensive but you'll get it quicker. My Degen took about 2-3 weeks before it was delivered. Perhaps others have more up to date info. My degen is 5+ years old.

3160. Re: [de1103] Kaito or Degen ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-07-12 09:22:48 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 3156 Message: 3160

Hi Grant

You won't be disappointed, I have the Kaito version. If you have a lot of local FM stations (I'm in Christchurch) you will notice some overload but as far as MW & SW are concerned, performance is excellent. Radio Marti, Marathon Key, Florida used to be a regular on 1180 kHz before the Maori station opened on 1179 just using the ferrite rod antenna.

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: The Simpsons
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, July 12, 2012 5:43 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Kaito or Degen ?

I ordered my Degen 1103 from ANON-CO on Ebay on the 4th o0f July. It arrived here in New Zealand today, 1 week later. Not bad service at all!
I ordered from them because of the good feedback rating and they ship from Hog Kong.
Shipping from Hong Kong is always much quicker than shipping from China.
Just plugged it in to charge the batteries so haven’t had a chance to play wit it yet!

Grant, ZL2BK.

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3161. improve AM/SSB selectivity (filter change)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-07-14 11:35:33 UTC
From: Roberto
Topic: 3161 Message: 3161

Hi,

someone have try to change the selectivity in am ssb part of receiver changing the if filters?

If yes, whath type of filter have choice and whath is the result?

Thanks

Roberto iw2evk

Milan

3162. Re: improve AM/SSB selectivity (filter change)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-07-18 15:23:00 UTC
From: shane
Topic: 3161 Message: 3162

You no can improob on radio, as it is berry berry good radio as is.
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> Roberto iw2evk
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> Milan
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3163. de1103 set dead?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-07-19 02:41:27 UTC
From: madyash_chat
Topic: 3163 Message: 3163

Dear all,

I just got hold of a new de1103, bought from eBay US. Looks like the set is dead. Tuning into any of the bands FM/MW/SW fails. The only sound I can hear is a constant hissing noise.

I tried resetting the unit; and also tried with different power options, like freshly recharged batteries and wall-power. But that didn't help.

Even the small LED under the 'SSB' switch does not light-up. Rest of the things (viz. the clock and LED backlight) seem to be working.

Any clues on what could have gone wrong?
Thanks and regards,
Yashdeep

3164. Re: de1103 set dead?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-07-19 14:51:57 UTC
From: shane
Topic: 3163 Message: 3164

Soun like front of radio if deaf and radio is berry berry bad radio. I would be sending back to the bay for new one.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "madyash_chat" <yashdeep.mahajani@...> wrote:
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3165. Re: [de1103] Re: de1103 set dead?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-07-19 15:13:34 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 3163 Message: 3165

FYI... anon-co ebay seller in Hong Kong is credited as good seller.

Horacio
Uruguay

De: shane <clovisb31@yahoo.com>
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Enviado: Jueves 19 de julio de 2012 11:51
Asunto: [de1103] Re: de1103 set dead?

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3166. Re: de1103 set dead?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-07-19 15:18:40 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 3163 Message: 3166

hi, yeshdeep,
returning and getting a new replacement, togetger would cost a lot in the form of courier charges. you can get hold of schem,atic and pcb layouts ads download from this very site and attend to it.
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try with external antenna where the FET can be byepassed.

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3167. Re: de1103 set dead?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-07-26 17:40:47 UTC
From: n3ham1
Topic: 3163 Message: 3167

Try the FM band and see if that works. If it doesn't, then it may be more than just the jfet of the preamp for the front end. When that goes, it usually just takes out MW and SW. Jerry.

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3168. Re: de1103 set dead?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-08-02 19:00:11 UTC
From: JohnB123
Topic: 3163 Message: 3168

See message 3903. I had the same problem and this worked for me. Good luck!
John

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3169. Correction for dead 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-08-02 19:02:31 UTC
From: JohnB123
Topic: 3169 Message: 3169

Make that message # 3093. Sorry for the typo,
John

3170. Re: [de1103] Re: de1103 set dead?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-08-03 02:46:54 UTC
From: Aluizio Antonio dos Santos
Topic: 3163 Message: 3170

Hello John
I have purchased a Degen 1103 years ago, he had the same problem few years after its use. What solved the problem was to remove the batteries for a few hours and it comes back normal.
It now has about a year he presents no problem.
Aluizio

----- Original Message -----
From: JohnB123
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, August 02, 2012 4:00 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: de1103 set dead?

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John

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3171. identify 450 khz "narrow" filter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-08-06 06:28:56 UTC
From: Roberto
Topic: 3171 Message: 3171

Hi at all,

in the degen they are 2 filter 450 khz : one for wide and other for "narrow" reception.
i've order a most narrow filer on e bay

http://www.ebay.co.uk/itm/NEW-muRata-ceramic-FILTER-450IT-CFWLA450KJFA-450-kHz-2kHz-CFW-S450IT-/140814415347?pt=UK_Mobile_Phones_Communication_Radio_Parts_Accessories&hash=item20c93175f3

for change stock narrow filter.

But , wich of 2 filter it' s the narrow?
I've see the schematic, but i don't undstand how recognize on PCB.

Thanks

Roberto iw2evk

3172. how below 76 mhz (oirt band)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-08-17 13:53:29 UTC
From: Roberto
Topic: 3172 Message: 3172

See this video for unlock the pll under 76 mhz in fm (oirt band)

http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_detailpage&v=IqzTF2CM6Qw

3173. Re: how below 76 mhz (oirt band)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-08-20 06:52:49 UTC
From: lmowhite
Topic: 3172 Message: 3173

Sarebbe interessante sapere come si fa realmente. Dal video non si capisce.

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3174. Re: identify 450 khz "narrow" filter

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-08-21 18:36:43 UTC
From: Roberto
Topic: 3171 Message: 3174

Hi,

today i've successfully changed narrow filter on board with new murata narrow filter 3 khz.
The reception now it's "sharp" in ssb and many noises are cut off.
i suggest this change in conjunction with input antenna modification and shelding from IRIS (radioscanner.ru)

Roberto iw2evk

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> Thanks
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3175. Degen 1103 Knob

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-08-28 09:49:57 UTC
From: Peter Lam
Topic: 3175 Message: 3175

Hi All,

Can anyone tell me where I can get a replacement knob for DE1103

3176. Re: Degen 1103 Knob

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-08-28 19:30:10 UTC
From: Wulf, George E UTAS
Topic: 3175 Message: 3176

I lost the knob to my 1103 during a camping trip. Whittled a flat edge on a small stick to fit in the 'D' shaped hole, then wrapped ¼" strips of duct tape around the stick until it was the same approximate diameter of the original knob. Sticks out a little farther than the original knob, but works great...haven't bothered to replace it.

3177. Downconverter for the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-03 21:16:15 UTC
From: lucadrbiondi
Topic: 3177 Message: 3177

Hi! Anyone have tried to apply a downconverter to the de1103.
I think to get the IF signal at 455 KHz from the pin 21 of the TA2057N IC.
Then i'll try to build the downconverter found at http://www.qsl.net/kb9mwr/projects/voip/apco25/Simple%20455%20kHz%20to%20sound%20card%20IF%20design.pdf address.
The nice things about this downconverter is that it generate an I/Q output so i should use winrad software.

Any suggestion?

Thanks in advance,
Luca

3178. Re: Downconverter for the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-04 08:48:49 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 3177 Message: 3178

Perhaps there are simpler ways to do it, like using NE612

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "lucadrbiondi" <lucadrbiondi@...> wrote:
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3179. Re: [de1103] Downconverter for the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-04 14:00:41 UTC
From: John Greusel
Topic: 3177 Message: 3179

Luca,

I think that's an ambitious idea.
I would suggest you take a look at Tony Parks softrock RX Emsemble kit configured for VLF work.
It's a pretty inexpensive route to what you're interested in.

http://fivedash.com/index.php?main_page=product_info&products_id=6

John
KC9OJV

From: lucadrbiondi <lucadrbiondi@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, September 3, 2012 4:16 PM
Subject: [de1103] Downconverter for the DE1103

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Luca

3180. Re: [de1103] Downconverter for the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-04 14:31:21 UTC
From: digitalham@gmail.com
Topic: 3177 Message: 3180

At least in terms of IF output for DRM using DReaM, I believe the 1103
is not very good.

<http://sourceforge.net/apps/mediawiki/drm/index.php?title=Degen1103%2B17_Khz_Downconverte
r%2Bdream>

Perhaps other IF output uses would work better?

-fib

On 9/3/2012 2:16 PM, lucadrbiondi wrote:
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3181. Re: Downconverter for the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-04 22:10:21 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 3177 Message: 3181

There are a lot of good portables that can be modified easily
for a 455khz IF output for DRM, to down convert to 12khz. You
can find the mods on line.

Some portables even have a 455Khz IF jacks. Don't screw with the
DE1103, get another radio to experiment on, is my advice. Cheers

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3182. Re: Downconverter for the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-05 13:34:17 UTC
From: Gerd
Topic: 3177 Message: 3182

For DRM, it can be made even simpler (and cheaper). Here is a simple downconverter I built up from parts salvaged from the junk:

http://f1.grp.yahoofs.com/v1/0ExHUCdjSCVcmAaU57KcZj0UhoGq3WF2wzlIeF1J1qwJ547sideDMhscMuqlQ0hTmmimkBKftRl6m0b7f42vRJEWKWDw/12khz_Downconverter.png

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3183. Re: [de1103] Re: Downconverter for the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-05 14:55:49 UTC
From: Vimal
Topic: 3177 Message: 3183

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3184. Re: Downconverter for the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-05 14:58:24 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 3177 Message: 3184

even with DE1103 we can manage
the OP may noter that the IF ois 450KHz and NOT 455KHz.
thus we can make 462KHZ LO and use NE612 to convert.
A cheaper version could be possible with TA77358from Toshiba.
Though it was meant for FM front end, the device works for our purpose. I know of people from www.drmrx.org/forum who have madethis possible.
One member there 'siber' had designed specifically for DE1103 and he was using it.

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3185. Re: Downconverter for the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-05 21:59:59 UTC
From: lucadrbiondi
Topic: 3177 Message: 3185

Also this: http://www.extremecircuits.net/2010/06/drm-down-converter-for-455khz-if.html
should be a simple and cheap implementation.

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>
> even with DE1103 we can manage
> the OP may noter that the IF ois 450KHz and NOT 455KHz.
> thus we can make 462KHZ LO and use NE612 to convert.
> A cheaper version could be possible with TA77358from Toshiba.
> Though it was meant for FM front end, the device works for our purpose. I know of people
from www.drmrx.org/forum who have madethis possible.
> One member there 'siber' had designed specifically for DE1103 and he was using it.
>
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Greg" <gmcjetpilot@> wrote:
> >
> > There are a lot of good portables that can be modified easily
> > for a 455khz IF output for DRM, to down convert to 12khz. You
> > can find the mods on line.
> >
> > Some portables even have a 455Khz IF jacks. Don't screw with the
> > DE1103, get another radio to experiment on, is my advice. Cheers
> >
> >
> >
> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "lucadrbiondi" <lucadrbiondi@> wrote:
> > >
> > > Hi! Anyone have tried to apply a downconverter to the de1103.
> > > I think to get the IF signal at 455 KHz from the pin 21 of the TA2057N IC.
> > > Then i'll try to build the downconverter found at http://www.qsl.net/kb9mwr/projects
/voip/apco25/Simple%20455%20kHz%20to%20sound%20card%20IF%20design.pdf address.
> > > The nice things about this downconverter is that it generate an I/Q output so i
should use winrad software.
> > >
> > > Any suggestion?
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> > > Thanks in advance,
> > > Luca
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3186. Re: Downconverter for the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-05 22:48:54 UTC
From: Julian Hardstone
Topic: 3177 Message: 3186

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "lucadrbiondi" <lucadrbiondi@...> wrote:
>
> Hi! Anyone have tried to apply a downconverter to the de1103.
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> Thanks in advance,
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Downconverter? There's already an excellent downconverter in the DE1103, it's IC7 ! I have no data on this 'IC' but it works just how you want on SSB. If you can modify the CIO, Q19, to run at 462kHz you have your downconverter, with 12kHz out of the LINE socket. I suggest you try replacing resonator U8 with a 470kHz resonator. The original 456kHz resonator is pulled down to 450?2kHz by the varactor VD2.

- Julian

3187. Re: Downconverter for the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-06 09:47:21 UTC
From: Gerd
Topic: 3177 Message: 3187

Hello,

apparently, Yahoo Groups does not allow linking to files in their own database :(

So I guess you'll have to find it manually. Go to the Files section of the group and have a look for the file named 12khz_Downconverter.png <http://f1.grp.yahoofs.com/v1/EGZIUNSMZK8cHl2_wMgQSiG7yxFFk360Oo4NIbf-J8\O6AFK4i_50ONTZzz8tJMsLHEsk42-71ESr3rLzDfxQP1oY8i1W/12khz_Downconverter.p\ng> . Once you are there, you should be able to open this file with a single click.

Sorry for any inconvenience and best regards,

Gerd

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Vimal <sumanmed@...> wrote:
>
> This link says-Document not found:(
>
> On 9/5/12, Gerd gerd.roethig@... wrote:
> > For DRM, it can be made even simpler (and cheaper). Here is a simple
> > downconverter I built up from parts salvaged from the junk:
> >
> >
http://f1.grp.yahoofs.com/v1/0ExHUCdjSCVcmAaU57KcZj0UhoGq3WF2wzlIeF1J1qw\J547sideDMhscMuqlQ0hTmmimkBKftRl6m0b7f42vRJEWKWDw/12khz_Downconverter.pn\g
> >
> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mvs" mvs_sarma@ wrote:
> >>
> >> Perhaps there are simpler ways to do it, like using NE612
> >>
> >>
> >>
> >> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "lucadrbiondi" <lucadrbiondi@>
wrote:
> >> >
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3188. Re: Downconverter for the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-06 11:48:38 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 3177 Message: 3188

Nice idea Julian !!. Perhaps we need to retain both in order not to loose SSB facility. an extra switch is only wayfor that. that type COB chips are sold but a pair costs $16 or so.
--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Julian Hardstone" <julian@...> wrote:
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "lucadrbiondi" <lucadrbiondi@> wrote:
> >
> > Hi! Anyone have tried to apply a downconverter to the de1103.
> > I think to get the IF signal at 455 KHz from the pin 21 of the TA2057N IC.
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> 470kHz resonator. The original 456kHz resonator is pulled down to 450±2kHz by
> the varactor VD2.
>
> - Julian
>

3190. Re: Downconverter for the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-06 18:45:17 UTC
From: Julian Hardstone
Topic: 3177 Message: 3190

mvs_sarma... wrote:
"Nice idea Julian !!. Perhaps we need to retain both in order not to loose SSB facility. an extra switch is only wayfor that. that type COB chips are sold but a pair costs $16 or so"
Thanks mvs. I'm not sure what you mean by COB chips ..?
The SDR software will take care of SSB or any other mode you like! All comms rx have the capability for a 12kHz IF O-P but nobody thinks about it. I even used my old all-analogue FRG-7 tuned to give 12kHz and was able to decode DRM

3191. Re: Downconverter for the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-09 16:40:52 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 3177 Message: 3191

CoB is , chip on board.
IC6 and IC7 are small pcbs with 4 edge connections on one side and three on other , . the components on the PCB would be a chip bonded , this is what i suppose. Might be, we can call them like child card placed in a slot on main board and soldered on each side to make up for 7 connections.
you are , right,
once converted to 12KHz, the software could manage the rest, even for ssb, cw, am, FMpresumably at 27MHz, DRM.
But the pc has to be on for just recing and manging the SDR facility.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Julian Hardstone" <julian@...> wrote:
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> mvs_sarma... wrote:
> "Nice idea Julian !!. Perhaps we need to retain both in order not to loose SSB
> facility. an extra switch is only wayfor that. that type COB chips are sold but
> a pair costs $16 or so"
> Thanks mvs. I'm not sure what you mean by COB chips ..?
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> my old all-analogue FRG-7 tuned to give 12kHz and was able to decode DRM
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3192. Re: Degen 1103 Knob

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-18 20:35:36 UTC
From: shane
Topic: 3175 Message: 3192

Ime sure tha werk berry berry good too!

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Wulf, George E UTAS" <george.wulf@...> wrote:
>
>
> I lost the knob to my 1103 during a camping trip. Whittled a flat edge on a small stick to fit in the 'D' shaped hole, then wrapped ¼" strips of duct tape around the stick until it was the same approximate diameter of the original knob. Sticks out a little farther than the original knob, but works great...haven't bothered to replace it.
>

3193. Re: Downconverter for the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-18 20:39:10 UTC
From: shane
Topic: 3177 Message: 3193

I wood try hookin up an extra Direct-TV spare dish parabolic feed to the whip with lo-loss alligator clipped wire to see if you get berry good small wave signals. Too.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "lucadrbiondi" <lucadrbiondi@...> wrote:
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3194. Dead on AM bands - nar/wide switch

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-19 18:03:36 UTC
From: g4irx_uk
Topic: 3194 Message: 3194

I switched on my RX after a prolonged period of storage (and a few thousand air miles) to find it was perfect on FM but completely deaf on the AM and SW bands. After going through all the switch positions it turned out to be the narrow/wide filter slide switch that made it burst back into life again. I've been unable to repeat the fault symptoms since!

The receiver has been really useful during my travels in the US - Radio Habana Cuba on 5010 and RAF Volmet on 5450 heard in southern OH using only the whip antenna.

Nick.

3195. Re: [de1103] Dead on AM bands - nar/wide switch

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-19 19:23:22 UTC
From: Jim Hurwitz
Topic: 3194 Message: 3195

The switch contacts were probably dirty and you cleaned them by exercising the switch.

Jim
On Wed, Sep 19, 2012 at 2:03 PM, g4irx_uk <nick@nowindows.net> wrote:

> **
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>
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> thousand air miles) to find it was perfect on FM but completely deaf on the
> AM and SW bands. After going through all the switch positions it turned out
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> again. I've been unable to repeat the fault symptoms since!
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> Habana Cuba on 5010 and RAF Volmet on 5450 heard in southern OH using only
> the whip antenna.
>
> Nick.
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>

3196. Re: Dead on AM bands - nar/wide switch

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-19 22:01:10 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 3194 Message: 3196

I had the same problem with exactly the outcome! Most likely dust or debris on the "finger" of the slide!

73 Rod KB8DNS

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "g4irx_uk" <nick@...> wrote:
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> Nick.
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3197. Re: Dead on AM bands - nar/wide switch

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-20 20:02:25 UTC
From: majoco21
Topic: 3194 Message: 3197

The RAF Volmet on 5450khz must put out a very good signal - she comes in pretty well down here in the mid-evening just on the whip. I guess it's grey-line propoagation.

Cheers - Martin ZL2MC

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "poikaa" <kb8dns@...> wrote:
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> >
> > Nick.
> >
>

3198. Re: Downconverter for the DE1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-09-20 20:12:14 UTC
From: majoco21
Topic: 3177 Message: 3198

Not for DRM and not for the DE1103, but I made a SoftRock SDR converter for my Kenwood R2000 and using HDSDR software. Some modifications required to component values and crystal frequency but works quite well. There is a problem in that the receiver AGC is still operating and so turns the signal down to the same level into the SDR - I may have to modify the AGC circuit a bit but I don't want to risk making the R2000 have problems too!

Cheers - Martin - ZL2MC

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> > Any suggestion?
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> > Thanks in advance,
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> >
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3199. Tuning above 30Mhz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-10-06 19:26:53 UTC
From: g7jur
Topic: 3199 Message: 3199

How do I get my 1103 to tune pass 30Mhz.
I have got it to tune below 100Khz.
It is a new radio so I think that the firmware has changed.

Philip g7jur

3200. Selling my Degen 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-10-26 14:45:23 UTC
From: Samsudeen
Topic: 3200 Message: 3200

Hello All,
I am selling my trusty Degen on ebay auction:

http://www.ebay.com/itm/DEGEN-DE1103-SUPER-SENSITIVE-SHORTWAVE-RADIO-/110967642590?pt=US_Portable_AM_FM_Radios&hash=item19d62fd9de
Thanks
Sam

3201. Re: Tuning above 30Mhz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-11-02 11:32:20 UTC
From: oz7aff
Topic: 3199 Message: 3201

Hello

Try looking here

http://f1.grp.yahoofs.com/v1/sKeTUG53lgkc73zjYN4DyzxZuhKqKylJYI8HVYekMISxLRxzEfdvPRVLaXSTfslNzgIOFw53kSBYkB88D7RPlEwAUmZu/1103%20extendet.txt

Regards Max

3202. Re: Tuning above 30Mhz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-11-03 21:52:22 UTC
From: Philip
Topic: 3199 Message: 3202

Hi Max.
Thanks, but the link is broken.

Philip.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "oz7aff" <Max_Jens@...> wrote:
>
> Hello
>
> Try looking here
>
> http://f1.grp.yahoofs.com/v1/sKeTUG53lgkc73zjYN4DyzxZuhKqKylJYI8HVYekMISxLRxzEfdvPRVLaXS
TfslNzgIOFw53kSBYkB88D7RPlEwAUmZu/1103%20extendet.txt
>
> Regards Max
>

3203. Where to get a 120v power supply

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-11-10 07:29:42 UTC
From: chrisp_ri
Topic: 3203 Message: 3203

hi all, just bought my DE1103 finally, and it came with the 230v power supply. Not sure if any wall wart of the right voltage 8v will work. Ideas?

3204. Re: [de1103] Where to get a 120v power supply

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-11-10 08:52:40 UTC
From: Partha Sarathi Goswami, Siliguri, West Be
Topic: 3203 Message: 3204

buy one 110v to 220V converter available on ebay 20watt or or more will
suffice

On Sat, Nov 10, 2012 at 12:59 PM, chrisp_ri <chris@...>wrote:

> hi all, just bought my DE1103 finally, and it came with the 230v power
> supply. Not sure if any wall wart of the right voltage 8v will work. Ideas?
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Thanks & Regards,

Partha Sarathi Goswami
Siliguri,
Darjeeling,
West Bengal
INDIA

Skype: dxinginfo

3205. Re: Where to get a 120v power supply

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-11-10 09:39:51 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 3203 Message: 3205

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "chrisp_ri" <chris@...> wrote:
>
> hi all, just bought my DE1103 finally, and it came with the 230v power supply. Not sure if any wall wart of the right voltage 8v will work. Ideas?
>
if you stay in nations that work with 120V AC,
better buy or make one regulated 9V 1 amp adopter instead of using unregulated wall wart.
Always it is better to use linear psu, as you already know baout the noise created by SMPS supplies.

most locations, even a linear supply wont suffice as many other loads in the venue use choppers and smps etc.
regards
sarma

3206. Re: Where to get a 120v power supply

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-11-10 09:48:55 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 3203 Message: 3206

I am adding few morte lines.
if the adopter supplied is openable type, and if you (chris) are into habit of serviing ,

perhaps these trafos from China are generally wound two primaries.
For America , they parallel them in phase,
and for India like countries, they connect the windings in series additions.
If so, it should nbe possible to manage changing it.
how ever , i would only recommend a regulated supply at say (V Dc output for better life of the cells.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mvs" <mvs_sarma@...> wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "chrisp_ri" <chris@> wrote:
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> regards
> sarma
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3207. Re: [de1103] Where to get a 120v power supply

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-11-10 10:11:11 UTC
From: Bob Yorston
Topic: 3203 Message: 3207

Hi - If you can find a 6 - 8 volt wall wart with the correct plug, and it's 120 volts input - go for it!
Don't forget the centre terminal must be +, and it's preferable NOT to use a switch-mode wall wart, as the amount of interference it'll cause in your radio must be heard to be believed. Also - don't use one that's capable of delivering 1 amp or more - the original one was only 300mA, and poorly regulated at that. Anything much larger may give rise to overcharging the NiMH cells, or else overheating the charge switching transistor (Q26 - S8050).
Bob.

From: chrisp_ri <chris@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, 10 November 2012 6:29 PM
Subject: [de1103] Where to get a 120v power supply

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3208. Re: Where to get a 120v power supply

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-11-10 12:07:31 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 3203 Message: 3208

the charge controller inside the DE1103 would take care of current and timing. IMHO , additional capacity on psu doesn't mean the load would take it.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Bob Yorston <bobyorston@...> wrote:
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3209. Re: Where to get a 120v power supply

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-11-10 19:04:32 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 3203 Message: 3209

Your receiver uses four AA batteries that total 6 volts, the power adapter is 8 volts at a nominal 600 mA. Volts can be considered a potential so under draw the adapter will float down to 6 plus volts.... the receiver can handle this easily. A smaller 6 volt supply may cause hum or poor regulation.
For the best supply for US mains, order a power adapter from Eton for the E3 or E5 as it will be the right one for the rig with out using a 220 volts to 110 volts mains adapter. It is also possible they may send one for free!

73 Rod KB8DNS

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3210. Re: Where to get a 120v power supply

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-11-12 07:13:57 UTC
From: chrisp_ri
Topic: 3203 Message: 3210

great idea, thanks. for now I will just use alkaline because I learned that the radio wont try to charge the batteries unless you tell it to.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Partha Sarathi Goswami, Siliguri, West Bengal, India" <dxinginfo.com@...> wrote:
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> suffice
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> Partha Sarathi Goswami
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> INDIA
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>
> Skype: dxinginfo
>

3211. Charger timer inoperative?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-11-13 16:41:56 UTC
From: shane
Topic: 3211 Message: 3211

Hello all,

My 1103 charging timer disappeared from the display, that is, when you hold down the charge button to dial in the hours/timer to charge it does nothing. The "s-meter" just displays full scale but no charge timer. I took the NiMh rechargeables out and charged them in another desk charger/tester. They charged up and checked OK. Put them back into the 1103 and still no charge timer. Hmmmm. Did a reset, still no charge timer. The jog dial works for everything else, why no charge capability now?
Any eye-deers?

3212. Re: [de1103] Charger timer inoperative?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-11-13 16:53:18 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3211 Message: 3212

Hi Shane. Was the radio turned off? It must be off to start charging.
Otherwise possibly your radio is defective.

ttyl

On 11/13/2012 10:41 AM, shane wrote:
> Hello all,
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> My 1103 charging timer disappeared from the display, that is, when
> you hold down the charge button to dial in the hours/timer to charge
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3213. Re: Charger timer inoperative?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-11-13 18:42:37 UTC
From: james-joseph..
Topic: 3211 Message: 3213

Mine will do the same thing as you describe because it was not connected to to power supply. Are you sure it was hooked up to the adapter? Check for good connection, wiggle it a little to see if changes...Joe..

3214. Re: Charger timer inoperative?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-11-14 04:55:11 UTC
From: shane
Topic: 3211 Message: 3214

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "james-joseph.." <j.sandy19@...> wrote:
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> Mine will do the same thing as you describe because it was not connected to to power supply. Are you sure it was hooked up to the adapter? Check for good connection, wiggle it a little to see if changes...Joe..
>
I am sure it is properly connected to the ac adapter. The batteries were dead and the adapter was running the radio. I know the radio has to be turned off to program the charge timer. Im going to try a different set of batteries and see what happens. Thanks for your ideas guys.

3215. Re: [de1103] Charger timer inoperative?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-11-14 02:24:14 UTC
From: Troy Reynolds
Topic: 3211 Message: 3215

Hi Shane,

Have you checked that there is a voltage coming out of the 8V DC adaptor?
This sounds like what would happen if a DC voltage was not present on the
input.

Cheers,
Troy

On 14 November 2012 00:41, shane <clovisb31@...> wrote:

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> Hello all,
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> My 1103 charging timer disappeared from the display, that is, when you
> hold down the charge button to dial in the hours/timer to charge it does
> nothing. The "s-meter" just displays full scale but no charge timer. I took
> the NiMh rechargeables out and charged them in another desk charger/tester.
> They charged up and checked OK. Put them back into the 1103 and still no
> charge timer. Hmmmm. Did a reset, still no charge timer. The jog dial works
> for everything else, why no charge capability now?
> Any eye-deers?
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3216. Re: Charger timer inoperative?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-11-14 18:53:11 UTC
From: shane
Topic: 3211 Message: 3216

Yes, voltage is present. I pulled the batteries out and ran off
the adapter all night. This morning I substituted a new set of rechargeable batteries. Same problem...no charge timer or charge display. The rest of the radio works fine. I guess I wont be able to recharge batteries in the radio anymore.
--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Troy Reynolds <vk6hdx@...> wrote:
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3217. Top frequencies all wrong?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-12-02 00:11:14 UTC
From: jocarl011
Topic: 3217 Message: 3217

Just bought a de1103 latest one, I have just been tuning around 29mhz upwards as I was testing the above 30mhz mod and noticed AM broadcast stations faintly there? Is this some kind of bleed over or are the frequencies out?

Carl.

3218. Re: Top frequencies all wrong?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-12-02 20:47:18 UTC
From: Philip
Topic: 3217 Message: 3218

Hi Carl.

I have just been experimenting with my radio, try this.

Type 29850, hit BAND+,
then store it in MEMORY.

Then hold BAND+ to start scanning up.

Very sensitive moment: be ready to stop scanning by touching wheel or
push ANY button when frequency goes beyond 30 000 - first digit
becomes like mirrored 6: Something like d0005. Store this new
frequency. Congratulations - you expanded or "opened" your DEGEN
beyond 29 999 kHerz. It is not so easy to do it from the first try,
start from saved frequency (29850 or near) again.

It took my a few tries, when you have done it store it in a memory.
Mine will receive up to 34.2 MHz.

Mine is also the latest radio, like yours.

Philip g7jur.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "jocarl011" <jocarl011@...> wrote:
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3219. Re: [de1103] Top frequencies all wrong?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2012-12-03 11:02:03 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3217 Message: 3219

Hi Carl. What you are experiencing is probably strong AM broadcast stations bleeding through. I have had this happen only when using an external antenna. I suppose it could happen if there is one or more strong AM station(s) close by without an external antenna.

I never did see any reason to try to listen above 30 Mhz. 30-50Mhz is the VHF low band. There used to be many users of this band, but mostly they have moved to VHF high or UHF to avoid the frequent skip conditions of the last 2 solar cycles. Most users of the VHF low bands used FM mode.

I have not found much activity above 25 Mhz except CB (27Mhz) and the 10m ham band (28-29.7 Mhz). I seldom use an external antenna.

ttyl

On 12/01/2012 06:11 PM, jocarl011 wrote:
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> upwards as I was testing the above 30mhz mod and noticed AM broadcast
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3220. Re: Power connector pin size?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-01-17 23:05:21 UTC
From: cap320550
Topic: 3109 Message: 3220

Good info Stefano, I just bought a 4mm/1.7mm DC to USB lead off ebay based on this info and it fits perfect. Item 251188390836 for those interested (UK Based seller) posts worldwide. I have no connection with the seller.
I can now charge the DE1103 via USB which is my preferred method as I take a laptop with me everywhere and saves on taking an extra AC supply/charger unit with me. Charge time will inevitably be increased due to the lower voltage but I can live with that.

Cap

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "stefy506" wrote:
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "dwarmstr" wrote:
> >
> > What is the size of the DC power connector, the barrel and the pin, on the Degen 1103?
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>
> Outer diameter of the plug connector = 4 mm. / / The central hole accepts a pin of 1.5 mm. Plug length =10 mm
> These are measures of the external male connector, not the female socket of Degen! Ok?
>
> Best 73 ! Stefano.
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3221. Re: [de1103] Re: Power connector pin size?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-01-18 15:03:36 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3109 Message: 3221

Hi Cap. The full charge voltage of my NiMH batteries is 1.4v each. thats 5.6v for the 4 batteries. USB puts out 5v (I have not measured it though). I don't see how that will work to more than partly charge the batteries. Let us know how it works out.

ttyl

On 01/17/2013 05:05 PM, cap320550 wrote:
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3222. Encoder replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-01-18 15:18:23 UTC
From: Horacio
Topic: 3222 Message: 3222

I've learned from older posts that the jog dial encoder may be available, (TaoQ). Mine has become defective after 6 years of use, stopping at certain parts of the dial run.

Anyone can point out a source for the replacement if available?

Horacio Nigro
Uruguay

3223. Re: Power connector pin size?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-01-18 23:14:28 UTC
From: cap320550
Topic: 3109 Message: 3223

Yeah, won't be the best, but seems to work here, my Ni-Mh Batts are 1.25v stock Degens.
I will report back on how successful it is.

Cap

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Martin wrote:
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3224. Re: [de1103] Encoder replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-01-18 23:35:41 UTC
From: digitalham@...
Topic: 3222 Message: 3224

Horacio and others,

I just opened up the encoder in my really old de1103. I flushed it with 99% alcohol and then placed a single drop of CLP on each side and then turned it around in both directions and put it back together.

Now things are back to normal! It does take a little bit of bending and prying to get the metal clamp off to get inside of it, but it worked!

I have had those encoder problems with mine for the last 5 years, and I just now got brave enough to tear into it!

-Fib

On 1/18/2013 7:18 AM, Horacio wrote:
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3225. RE: [de1103] Encoder replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-01-19 03:39:21 UTC
From: hanigrodx@gmail.com
Topic: 3222 Message: 3225

Your comments on the cleaning procedure is very interesting and informative!
I will try it!
BTW what does CLP mean?

Many tnx!
73 Horacio
Uruguay
-----Mensaje original-----
De: digitalham@...
Enviado: 18/01/2013, 21:35
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Asunto: Re: [de1103] Encoder replacement

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3226. Re: [de1103] Encoder replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-01-19 05:20:04 UTC
From: digitalham@...
Topic: 3222 Message: 3226

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cleaner,_Lubricant,_Preservative

In the United States there is a product called "Break Free" that is excellent for use on many things including tight telescopic antennas, antenna connectors, etc. I do not know for certain, but WD40 might work as well.

The little metal clamp that holds the back of the rotary encoder on, has little teeth in 4 places. These must be bent out of the way and then the clamp can come off. Do not damage it however since it also serves as the ground connector. I de-soldered that connection first.

Once you are done, return the clamp to the back side of the encoder. Use needle nose pliers to squeeze the clip back into place. Re-solder that ground wire.

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3227. Has The DE-1103 Been Radically Changed?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-01-19 11:41:42 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 3222 Message: 3227

About 6 months ago I bought a new DE-1103 to replace my much older units. I had (unfortunately) given one away and the other later stopped working.

The new one is much noisier on AM than the original ones I had...sounds just like digital noises all over the band, greatly deteriorating reception of weaker AM signals.

Does anyone know if there have been big changes in the design of the DE-1103? I never heard any such noises on the original ones....they were superb.

Jay
http;p/radojayallen.com

3228. Re: [de1103] Has The DE-1103 Been Radically Changed?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-01-19 12:16:41 UTC
From: Tudor Vedeanu
Topic: 3222 Message: 3228

On 19.01.2013, at 13:41, "jallenhartford2000" <jaypolicow@...> wrote:

> About 6 months ago I bought a new DE-1103 to replace my much older units. The new one is much noisier on AM than the original ones I had...

I bought mine in August 2012 from eBay (seller tquchina). Very quiet unit. I can hear some noise but only if I put my hand on the display. Otherwise it's the most quiet radio I have (in its class).

Tudor

3229. Re: Encoder replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-01-20 00:25:37 UTC
From: Horacio
Topic: 3222 Message: 3229

Fib,

What is contained inside the encoder?. is it filled with grease (silicone grease or something similar?)
Thanks..

Horacio

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, digitalham@... wrote:
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> > -----Mensaje original-----
> > De: digitalham@...
> > Enviado: 18/01/2013, 21:35
> > Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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3230. Re: [de1103] Re: Encoder replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-01-20 00:52:48 UTC
From: digitalham@...
Topic: 3222 Message: 3230

It looked dry but I read it once contained a lubricant.

On 1/19/2013 4:25 PM, Horacio wrote:
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3231. Re: Power connector pin size?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-01-20 17:28:46 UTC
From: cap320550
Topic: 3109 Message: 3231

Had it on charge for over 8 hours and don't think the voltage is high enough to keep the charge for the batts, just a small amount of charge so a bit disappointing.
For info it does power the DE1103 with the batteries removed (although below the spec'd 6v the battery indicator flashes as you would expect). I am also picking up quite a bit of QRN from the computer whilst plugged into the USB which is a shame.
Now reverted back to the mains charger :(

Cap

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "cap320550" wrote:
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3232. Re: [de1103] Re: Power connector pin size?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-01-20 19:09:29 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3109 Message: 3232

Well, it was an interesting idea, too bad it didn't work out. It would be interesting to see if solar cells could run the radio or charge the batteries...

I am not necessarily suggesting that you get a DE1102, but the USB should work to charge batteries or run the radio, as it only uses three NiMH batteries... A snap-on ferrite on the USB cable might help with the QRN issue.

ttyl

On 01/20/2013 11:28 AM, cap320550 wrote:
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3233. Re: Power connector pin size?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-01-31 08:13:49 UTC
From: cap320550
Topic: 3109 Message: 3233

I tried a snap on ferrite bead when I realised the QRN issue was there but it made no difference unfortunately.
Really like my DE1103, this is my second one after foolishly selling the first one. I use the Degen 31MS active loop mainly, which works OK (was never a fan of active loops), but is no match against my homebrew 500mm diameter Magnetic loop tuned with 2 x 500pf caps. I use the degen active loop mainly for convenience and causal listening but hook up the Mag loop for any serious DXing (low noise floor and additional front end filtering).

Cap

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3239. KA1103 Quit

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-18 14:12:53 UTC
From: Jim
Topic: 3239 Message: 3239

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Jim Rose

3240. Re: KA1103 Quit

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-19 03:38:52 UTC
From: majoco21
Topic: 3239 Message: 3240

So what is it that you hear in the speaker?

Have you pressed the "reset" button?

Cheers - Martin ZL2MC

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3241. Re: KA1103 Quit

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-19 04:35:41 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 3239 Message: 3241

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3242. Re: KA1103 Quit

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-19 11:36:21 UTC
From: Jim
Topic: 3239 Message: 3242

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3243. Re: [de1103] Re: KA1103 Quit

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-19 22:36:49 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 3239 Message: 3243

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sometimes by this receiver (presumably
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Good luck and keep us informed

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Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

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3245. Re: KA1103 Quit

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-20 09:29:13 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 3239 Message: 3245

Anticipating battery problems with my DE-1103 I have placed a thin plastic strip to fit between the battery terminals. This efectively "removes" the batteries from the radio without actually physically removing them. When I use the receiver I then pull this strip.
The radio's CPU programs memories in hexadecimal and this gives a total memory of 255 presets. It is possible that the design of the receiver uses or allocates more than just presets to the hexadecimal locations. Since the CPU also monitors battery voltage levels, it is possible the CPU uses memory as a comparator of voltage levels and through a possible software glitch it is possible the CPU "locks" in unpredictable ways. There is a reset procedure to remove all presets by holding down the SLEEP, HOLD and TIME buttons then hit reset. This will erase all presets but also may restore the CPU to default. Worth a try as the receiver is "dead in the water"!

73 Rod KB8DNS

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Moisés Knochen <moises.knochen@...> wrote:
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3246. Re: KA1103 Quit

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-20 18:34:32 UTC
From: Jim
Topic: 3239 Message: 3246

I guess it's a gonner, tried all sugestions, still no reception. Speaker works, all controls seem to work, but no reception an any band, just occasional noise. Ordered an 1102 which looks easier to tune and operate.

Jim Rose

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3247. Re: KA1103 Quit

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-20 18:51:52 UTC
From: Jim
Topic: 3239 Message: 3247

Now that I think about it, I have a GPS for hunting caches (hidden items), and many people recommend charging the batteries out of the GPS, although there is an internal charger; they cost 4 or 5 times what these radios do. Maybe that is a good idea. I'm sure that is the cause of my problem.

Jim Rose

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3249. degen 31ms active antenna schematic

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-23 13:02:41 UTC
From: Roberto
Topic: 3249 Message: 3249

Hi,someone have a schematic of degen 21ms active antenna?

Thanks

iw2evk roberto

marinelluccia1@...

3250. Re: degen 31ms active antenna schematic

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-24 07:56:31 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 3249 Message: 3250

Hello Roberto,

Got a simple schematic from radioscanner.ru
See "Photos" section.
Look for "Degen 31 ms" album.

Regards,
jan

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3251. Re: degen 31ms active antenna schematic

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-24 12:48:01 UTC
From: Roberto
Topic: 3249 Message: 3251

Hi Jan,

i've make a search in photo diectory in radioscanner,.ru without results.
Can you send me a link?
Thanks

Roberto

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "legonedijk" <legonedijk@...> wrote:
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3252. Re: degen 31ms active antenna schematic

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-24 14:09:33 UTC
From: legonedijk
Topic: 3249 Message: 3252

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/photos/album/885959646/pic/list

3253. Re: degen 31ms active antenna schematic

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-25 00:22:40 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 3249 Message: 3253

For about $20 or what ever they are going for, buy one and take it apart. There are many many loop antenna designs and amps on the web. The design of the antenna I am sure is proprietary (not public). You can't make it for what you can buy one for. They work really well. Cheers.

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3254. Re: [de1103] Re: degen 31ms active antenna schematic

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-25 07:05:29 UTC
From: robert gorsch
Topic: 3249 Message: 3254

I have to agree. The Degen loop antenna can be astonishing at times. My best experiences have been in the 49m band. I alternate between the whip, the Degen loop, and a 40 foot external random wire antenna. Upon occasion I have been able to get a very readable signal from Austria on 6155 or CBC in Vancouver on 6160 late at night in W North America using the loop antenna, where there is absolutely nothing audible using the whip or the external random wire.

--- On Sun, 2/24/13, Greg <gmcjetpilot@yahoo.com> wrote:

From: Greg <gmcjetpilot@...>
Subject: [de1103] Re: degen 31ms active antenna schematic
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, February 24, 2013, 4:22 PM

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3255. Re: degen 31ms active antenna schematic

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-25 07:49:54 UTC
From: oz7aff
Topic: 3249 Message: 3255

Hello

Why active ? In my opinion the amplifier only ads noise to the signal, and it is not necessary on short wave.

Building a god preselector like this one

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/de1103/files/Preselector/

gives a better overall performance.

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3256. Re: degen 31ms active antenna schematic

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-25 11:24:08 UTC
From: Henry
Topic: 3249 Message: 3256

> Why active ? In my opinion the amplifier only ads noise to the signal, and it is not necessary on short wave.
The noise figures of modern JFETs and single gate MOSFETs are below 2 dBs. This is more than OK for shortwaves. The Degen loop circuit may not be very well designed for high IM values, but considering the low supply voltage, handability, size and price(!) it's a good option for travellers and people who cannot put up huge Beverage wires or dipoles outside their appartments. Compared to the built in whip it's far better in any respect.

> Building a god preselector like this one
A preselector is only one half of the story. You need a decent wire antenna outside the house far away from electric noise, too. For people who only have room for a small indoor antenna near or in a window, a tuned loop is not a bad choice, although there may be more sophisticated (and expensive and power consuming) constructions.

Henry

3257. Degen loop on MW/AMBCB?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-26 02:15:32 UTC
From: john
Topic: 3257 Message: 3257

Anyone use the little Degen loop on the AM BCB ? Does it work well compared to a random wire?

John K5MO

3258. Re: Degen loop on MW/AMBCB?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-26 08:29:48 UTC
From: cap320550
Topic: 3257 Message: 3258

It works pretty good on MW.
I picked up VOCM in Newfoundland from the UK the other night using the Degen 31MS via the Ten-Tec RX320D, not a massive signal but shows you how capable it is on MW. It also has good directivity with some good nulling capabilities giving it an immediate advantage over a random wire.
Batteries don't last that long though which is a shame. I am sure that red power LED does not help being on all the time, I guess taking the LED out of circuit may increase the battery life slightly.
I was using the direct connection via a 3.5mm socket to BNC lead adapter I brewed myself to a Ten-Tec RX320D. The bandwidths on the RX320D are excellent for MW-DX.
SW performance is not bad either, certainly better than the DE1103 built in whip, but can be noisy.
For what it's worth the coupler is a bit fiddly unless you tape it to the DE1103, but it does work albeit a bit touchy to tune.
I bought another DE31MS as I was so impressed with it's performance (comparing it with my homebrew mag loop, not quite as good as that though), even not being a fan of active loops, it's portability and performance is well worth the money in my opinion.

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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, john <johnmb@...> wrote:
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3259. Re: [de1103] Re: Degen loop on MW/AMBCB?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-26 11:50:32 UTC
From: john
Topic: 3257 Message: 3259

Thanks for the nice writeup. I suppose for the cost it's easy enough to experiment. I never thought of using it with other rigs, though I have a good outside antenna farm for that purpose.

Best
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At 03:29 AM 2/26/2013, you wrote:

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3260. Re: Degen loop on MW/AMBCB?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-26 13:23:11 UTC
From: DJ Formaldehyde
Topic: 3257 Message: 3260

Works quite nicely with the TecSun PL-660 as well.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, john <johnmb@...> wrote:
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3261. Lost all my shorteave

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-26 21:01:29 UTC
From: mike.lee059
Topic: 3261 Message: 3261

Hi all,
Having used the Degen DE-1103 for a good while now, I have never had any type of complaint against it.
BUT last week there was some sort of large static input from some where, no idea where it came from but it was noticed on 80 meters Ham band. Well any way, it affected my Realistic DX394 (now fixed) and my Degen, I have got all FM and Medium Wave stations all good and strong, but all my short wave bands are so week. But the thing that has amazed me is that the simple FACT is the Degen was switched OFF.

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Any help please would be so good.

Thanks,
Mike.

3262. Re: degen 31ms active antenna schematic

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-27 01:37:48 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 3249 Message: 3262

Yes I agree BUT.... amplification works. The 1103 has an amplified front end. True it not only amplifies the signal but noise. Low SNR is always king. You just can't carry a long wire around traveling.

Apartment dwellers don't have room. I am a big fan of the Welbrook ALA1530S+ loop....Very expensive but well worth it. Back to the topic. The Degen, Katio or other brand (same antenna) loop works well, better than the whip at times. It is a bargin value. Neither are better than my 75' random wire high in the air with a good ground and BALUN.

I do agree there is no substitute for a good antenna (and earth ground). You can't fix a poor antenna with amplification. You can build a big unamplifed tuned loops and do some cool things. However using amplification you can use a smaller loop, taking advantage of the low nose chartieristics of loops. It is all about trade offs.

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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "oz7aff" <Max_Jens@...> wrote:
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3263. Re: degen 31ms active antenna schematic

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-27 03:52:08 UTC
From: Feraltex
Topic: 3249 Message: 3263

Interesting, I've been Dxing since I was 14, I'm now 75. Ive tried most so called antenna amps etc. including when living in London in the 90's. in a house that had not enough space for a good outdoor antenna.

I found that most where useless, its far better to string a wire around the window or room.

If your a serious MW dxer (Ive got Verifications from over 100 countries on MW including USA, and Latin America) and on SW over 123
countries (in all well over 1,000 Qsl's including many first's).

So allowing for the technology in today's radios perhaps the only thing that these so called amps do is let you hear more QRM, and my be increase the actual signal by no more than 2 on the S meter. as well as the static.....Dxing is the art of actually listening to the signal.

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3264. Re: Lost all my shorteave

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-27 10:26:08 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 3261 Message: 3264

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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "mike.lee059" <mike.lee059@...> wrote:
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3265. Re: Lost all my shorteave

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-27 10:27:22 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 3261 Message: 3265

i mean the schematic and pcb artwork data can be dowloaded from the files section of this site.
thanks to members who took pain.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Mvs" <mvs_sarma@...> wrote:
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3266. Re: degen 31ms active antenna schematic

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-27 11:14:49 UTC
From: Henry
Topic: 3249 Message: 3266

> I found that most where useless, its far better to string a wire around the window or room.

This may have worked 61 years ago and it could possibly have worked in the 1990s. If you do this nowadays, the wire antennas inside the house will give you nothing else but S9+20 dBs of computer, lan router, plasma TV, powerline network, switching power supply noise from medium wave up to 20 MHz or more. A loop antenna responding to the magnetic part of the radio waves can improve the situation dramatically (although not compensate it completely).

A decent broadband magnetic loop like the mentioned ALA, a LZ1AQ loop or a e. g. in Germany very popular HDLA loop will certainly outperfom a Degen 31m style antenna in some cases (especially in respect of intermodulation), but this goes at the cost of price and power consumption. So in my opinion a small tunable loop like the Degen is a good choice for indoor reception. I do not own one myself, but I have experimented a lot with homemade tunable loops (among other antenna types) and I can assure you: They are not bad. And I bet they outperform any indoor wire or whip in modern noisy environments. Of course you cannot compare them with an outdoor antenna farm in a rural area.

Again on amplifier noise: The FET in the Degen loop is not mainly there for amplification, it is an impedance transformer at first place. Amplification is not so important. Below 20 MHz any noise picked up by that antenna is much higher than the noise from the transistor. In really quiet rural areas the situation above 20 MHz may be different. But if I live in a rural area with lot of space I do not go for a Degen (or similar) as the only antenna.

Henry

3267. Re: Degen loop on MW/AMBCB?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-27 11:49:13 UTC
From: jallenhartford2000
Topic: 3257 Message: 3267

I've tried a few of the Degen active loops and find they work OK but have a higher noise floor than, say the Twin Coil from C.Crane or the Sony ANLP-1, and the tuning is quite touchy on them, but for the money they are hard to beat.

One alternative for AM I really like is the MTM Scientific loop because it is large enough to really outperform the popular, smaller passive loops and being passive it adds zero noise of its own.

Jay
http://radiojayallen.com

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "DJ Formaldehyde" <agregor@...> wrote:
>
> Works quite nicely with the TecSun PL-660 as well.
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, john <johnmb@> wrote:
> >
> > Thanks for the nice writeup. I suppose for the cost it's easy enough to
> > experiment. I never thought of using it with other rigs, though I have a
> > good outside antenna farm for that purpose.
> >
> > Best
> > John
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> > At 03:29 AM 2/26/2013, you wrote:
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> > >It works pretty good on MW.
> > >I picked up VOCM in Newfoundland from the UK the other night using the
> > >Degen 31MS via the Ten-Tec RX320D, not a massive signal but shows you how
> > >capable it is on MW. It also has good directivity with some good nulling
> > >capabilities giving it an immediate advantage over a random wire.
> > >Batteries don't last that long though which is a shame. I am sure that red
> > >power LED does not help being on all the time, I guess taking the LED out
> > >of circuit may increase the battery life slightly.
> > >I was using the direct connection via a 3.5mm socket to BNC lead adapter I
> > >brewed myself to a Ten-Tec RX320D. The bandwidths on the RX320D are
> > >excellent for MW-DX.
> > >SW performance is not bad either, certainly better than the DE1103 built
> > >in whip, but can be noisy.
> > >For what it's worth the coupler is a bit fiddly unless you tape it to the
> > >DE1103, but it does work albeit a bit touchy to tune.
> > >I bought another DE31MS as I was so impressed with it's performance

> > >(comparing it with my homebrew mag loop, not quite as good as that
> > >though), even not being a fan of active loops, it's portability and
> > >performance is well worth the money in my opinion.
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> > >--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, john <johnmb@> wrote:
> > > >
> > > > Anyone use the little Degen loop on the AM BCB ? Does it work well
> > > compared
> > > > to a random wire?
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> > > > John K5MO
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3268. Re: [de1103] Lost all my shorteave

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-02-27 15:38:32 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3261 Message: 3268

Hi Mike. Some of the early DE-1103/KA-1103s did not have protection diodes. Same with the Grundig G5/Eton E5 Later models of all radios had the diodes. My KA-1103 had the installed, my Grundig G5 did not. I added them to my G5. There is a PDF file on how I did it on the Eton E5 group in the files section. While the E5/G5 have a different display/memory unit, the radio board is the same.

There is a front-end FET that is famous for getting blown by static on these radios, especially those without protection diodes. There are documents in the files section of this group on replacing the front-end FET. The FET in question is a surface mount part, and is very small. Replacement of this part is not for the faint of heart! You will want to buy several, if you drop one, you will most likely not find it again.

I did replace one once. I needed a lighted magnifier, and I used #14 copper wire with a sharpened end, wrapped around the tip of a 30 watt soldering iron. Tweezers or a pair of hemostats are also necessary. I did manage it without disconnecting any wires between the 2 halves of the radio. You need to solder 1 leg of the FET and then let it cool down foe a few minutes.

I don't mean to put you off, but it is not an easy thing to get right, and you need to be experienced in soldering. I ordered 6 FETs, I have 2 left. I dropped 3, (never could find them, they are smaller than a common black ant!). These FETs are not expensive. The hardest part of the job is getting the FET in the correct position and holding it while soldering the first leg.

If you are able to replace the FET, adding the protection diodes is trivial, and highly recommended.

You should of course always disconnect any external antennas and collapse any whip antennas when the radio is not in use. Not touching the whip antenna during dry conditions (when there is most likely to be static from carpets etc...) is also a good idea. If you touch a metal object and get a shock, do so before touching the radio

TTYL

On 02/26/2013 03:01 PM, mike.lee059 wrote:
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3269. Re: Lost all my shorteave

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-03-01 18:37:35 UTC
From: mike.lee059
Topic: 3261 Message: 3269

Hi thank you for the info on that, yes I had a nasty idea it will have been the FET.
Ok so all I must do now is get one from some place, I wont do it myself as my hands are not so stable these days, but a friend of mine at the local Amateur Radio club has done SMC before, so it looks like he has got a jog to do lol.

Thank you.

Mike.

3270. Re: Lost all my shorteave

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-03-01 18:39:29 UTC
From: mike.lee059
Topic: 3261 Message: 3270

Yes thank you, I have taken a look at that, the trouble is all this new SMC is so different these days.

Mike.

3271. Re: Lost all my shortwave

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-03-02 10:50:42 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 3261 Message: 3271

Hi Mike!
I have successfully used a TO92 package in place of the SMD package for the replacement of the front end transistor. I had to file the transistor just a bit as it is about five times bigger than the SOT transistor (SOT = Small Outline Transistor). I used the common MPF 102 FET available at Radio Shack.
Here is the title of the photos that can be seen in the photo section here on this group.... "Replacing Q1 with TO92 FET"

73 es good luck! Rod KB8DNS

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "mike.lee059" <mike.lee059@...> wrote:
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3272. fm medium frequency for de 1103 mk 3

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-03-25 12:43:23 UTC
From: Roberto
Topic: 3272 Message: 3272

Hi,
i've decided to change the if fileter on my degen 1103 on FM.
From schematics seem 2 for 10.7 mhz filter, but on component it's write 10.75 .
So, whath is the right frequency for filter in sobstitution?

Thanks
roberto iw2evk

3273. Re: fm medium frequency for de 1103 mk 3

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-03-25 13:54:01 UTC
From: Julian Hardstone
Topic: 3272 Message: 3273

The IF is the usual 10.70MHz. There are only 2 ceramic filters so you should use the narrowest filters you can get
Also you should cut out the old ones to avoid damage and loss of SMT components, which is likely to happen if you try to unsolder them

- Julian
http://ukradio.info/Degen/

3274. Just Got C CRANE EP Classic Radio-Radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-04-05 00:40:20 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 3274 Message: 3274

I know this is old news, C CRANE EP has been out for awhile, but thought I would post a review.

I owned a GE Superadio III which is a great MW/FM (mono only) radio. However they are out of production and the namesake or look alike versions new on the market are knock offs, not so good. I sold my Superadio III after I mastered aligning the AM, FM and Dial calibration. Superadio's are a bit tricky to align (well), (especially FM you need a sweep generator). The factory did a poor job of aligning some (not all) of them. Of course age takes a toll.

I don't have the SRIII to compare to the C CRANE EP, but I used my go-to bench mark radio a Degen DE1103. Apples and apples, using the internal antennas, the C Crane EP was as good or better than the Degen DE1103 on MW. The DE1103 has a much smaller internal ferrite internal loop stick for MW, but then it is a much smaller radio and a digital synthesized SW/AM/FM(St) radio. With an external antenna the DE1103 is of course amazing. The C CRANE EP has separate jacks for AM and FM antennas and a switch to go between external and internal.... Nice. I have not tried my 80' random wire on the CC EP yet. It might overload it.

I consider the DE1103 one of the best portable FM stereos I have heard (with headphones of course, both radios come with one built in speaker). The C CRANE EP was darn close, very nice FM stereo.

The accuracy of the EP's analog dial was as good as could be expected, very good. The fit, finish and quality looks excellent.... for the price a super deal. I paid $69.95 on Amazon with free shipping.

I don't have 'D' batteries, so I use AA's in 'D' cell adapters I got with my awesome LA Crosse Technology BC-9009 charger. I have not had the radio long enough, but my current battery endurance test is now at 7 hours and counting. I suspect I should get at least 10 hours (which I can count on with the DE1103). The rechargeable NiMh AA's.... assuming about 2000 mAHr capacity; fresh 'D' alkaline cells are 12,000-18,000 mAHr, about 6-9 times the capacity of the rechargeable NiMh AA's I have. I'd expect +60 hours, maybe 100 hours to be possible (depends on volume, using headphone, backlight) with fresh 'D' Bat's.

It comes with a wall-wart power supply. The backlight is very bright (GE SRIII did not have backlight of course). The original GE Superadio, SR II and SR III is are long in the tooth. If you are not a hardcore radio person, who can and/or wants to work on the radio, I would go with a new C Crane EP, in production, warranty and excellent performance.... The SRIII has a bigger speaker. The EP I think is a winner! Not news I realize but if you want a classic nonsense RADIO RADIO, the C CRANE EP is a no brainer.

3275. Re: Just Got C CRANE EP Classic Radio-Radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-04-06 03:19:43 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 3274 Message: 3275

Battery test with AA's in 'D' cell adapters in CC-EP is done. It ran mostly on FM (which is a little more current draw than AM I believe) at moderate volume for 24 hours. The battery voltage was about 0.95 volts average. A DE1103 will only run down in the 1.22 volt cell voltage before shutting down.

I do not believe it has a low voltage shutdown. So if you leave it on and drain the batteries you can cause some issues that come from draining batteries to super low.

3276. Re: [de1103] Just Got C CRANE EP Classic Radio-Radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-04-09 10:44:59 UTC
From: mike mcmanus
Topic: 3274 Message: 3276

On 4/4/2013 8:40 PM, Greg wrote:
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Hi
I got my wifean CCrane EP radio and she likes it for its simplicity
of use. I like it for it's AM sensitivity.
Mike

3277. Re: fm medium frequency for de 1103 mk 3

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-04-13 11:43:18 UTC
From: Roberto
Topic: 3272 Message: 3277

Hi Julian,

i've make some test on narrow band fm signal on 78 mhz (italian police) .
The signal after changed the original 10,75 mhz marked filters with new 110 khz wide 10,7 mhz it's DECREASED.

I supposte mk3 version don't use 10,7 mhz but 10,75 khz i.f. frequency.The loss of sensitivity may be causated from "cutting" of signal off center frequency filters.

So i suggest use the same frequencies printed of case of original filter if want changed.

Roberto iw2evk

Milan

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Julian Hardstone" <julian@...> wrote:
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3281. replacement ribbon cable

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-05-27 19:11:23 UTC
From: bonvicken
Topic: 3281 Message: 3281

Anyone know if these are available?

3282. Re: replacement ribbon cable

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-05-28 17:50:24 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 3281 Message: 3282

I'd send a message to tquchina on eBay. If anyone has replacements, it would be him.

Nelson

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "bonvicken" <george.wulf@...> wrote:
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> Anyone know if these are available?
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3283. Re: [de1103] Re: replacement ribbon cable

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-05-29 03:13:37 UTC
From: SkywarnPB6027
Topic: 3281 Message: 3283

tquchina is the best I dealt with him in the past..How are the newer degen 1103's? I still have mine
from 2 or 3 years ago and working strong

Paul
N4UUQ
----- Original Message -----
From: Nelson
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 28, 2013 1:50 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: replacement ribbon cable

I'd send a message to tquchina on eBay. If anyone has replacements, it would be him.

Nelson

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "bonvicken" <george.wulf@...> wrote:
>
> Anyone know if these are available?
>

3284. RE: [de1103] Re: replacement ribbon cable

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-05-29 09:29:24 UTC
From: Tao Qu
Topic: 3281 Message: 3284

Hi,

If anyone can send a capture of the 'ribbon cable' to me?

Regards,
- Tao Qu

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of SkywarnPB6027
Sent: Wednesday, May 29, 2013 11:14 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: replacement ribbon cable

tquchina is the best I dealt with him in the past..How are the newer degen 1103's? I still have mine
from 2 or 3 years ago and working strong

Paul
N4UUQ

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3285. Static shock

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-06-05 19:50:39 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 3285 Message: 3285

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But the shortwave and SSB is very poor indeed to say the least.
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And also is there a circuit diagram of this radio any where, IK tried Google but so far not much luck.
TIA,

Mike.

3286. Re: Static shock

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-06-06 02:24:40 UTC
From: Vimal
Topic: 3285 Message: 3286

Hi,

See if this serves the purpose

http://radio.pagesperso-orange.fr/Images/DE1103/DE1103sch.gif

3287. Re: Static shock

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-06-06 20:43:13 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 3285 Message: 3287

Sounds like the FET front end transistor Q1 has taken a hit, I replaced mine on a similar receiver, the E5 by Eton. I used a MPF-102 in place of the SMD FET. I had posted photos there of the job and the receiver came back to life in fine style. If you want I have a few FETs of the SMD size here that I could mail you.

73 Rod KB8DNS

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> TIA,
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> Mike.
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3288. Re: Static shock

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-06-06 20:44:35 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 3285 Message: 3288

Also check the photo section on this group....
73 Rod KB8DNS

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "poikaa" <kb8dns@...> wrote:
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> > Mike.
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3289. Re: [de1103] Re: Static shock

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-06-07 03:21:46 UTC
From: Mike Lee
Topic: 3285 Message: 3289

Yes thank you for the help. I should have gone there my self to start of
with. I do have an mpf102 i could try, i may well give that a try. Mike.
On Jun 6, 2013 9:44 PM, "poikaa" <kb8dns@...> wrote:

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> Also check the photo section on this group....
> 73 Rod KB8DNS
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> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "poikaa" <kb8dns@...> wrote:
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> mine on a similar receiver, the E5 by Eton. I used a MPF-102 in place of
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3290. Filters FmDx replacemeny

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-06-07 04:30:05 UTC
From: Jose Joaquin Güell
Topic: 3285 Message: 3290

Hi all

Does anyone own papers to describe replacement procedure wide filters into narrow filters for fm dx? At the moment I own a 110 and 80 khz filter ready to do it

73's
Josep

Enviado desde mi iPad

El 06/06/2013, a las 22:43, "poikaa" <kb8dns@yahoo.com> escribió:

> Sounds like the FET front end transistor Q1 has taken a hit, I replaced mine on a similar receiver, the E5 by Eton. I used a MPF-102 in place of the SMD FET. I had posted photos there of the job and the receiver came back to life in fine style. If you want I have a few FETs of the SMD size here that I could mail you.
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3291. Re: Filters FmDx replacemeny

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-06-11 06:10:07 UTC
From: Roberto
Topic: 3285 Message: 3291

Hola Jose,

esta aqui

http://f1.grp.yahoofs.com/v1/wL62Ua4NMmwNPpKtPSWxJiUTplgUcb08_6rkqOCmLCXIgcJwk0l9DdSR6znNB4mawBfbrhqByYqw0qP_FX4uaPdsUb6kTaA_40KizRbcb4qd2JIZrPJ1ZA/Modifica_Degen_1103_2%5B1%5D.doc

Roberto

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Jose Joaquin GÃ¼ell <jjguell@...> wrote:
>
> Hi all
>
> Does anyone own papers to describe replacement procedure wide filters into narrow filters for fm dx? At the moment I own a 110 and 80 khz filter ready to do it
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> 73's
> Josep
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3292. Re: [de1103] Re: Filters FmDx replacemeny

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-06-11 12:56:56 UTC
From: Jose Joaquin Güell
Topic: 3285 Message: 3292

Hi Roberto

It seems as though the document was deleted. However, I opened the radio and saw both fm filters, so the question is only replace them by the mines.

Thanks, and 73's

Enviado desde mi iPad

El 11/06/2013, a las 08:10, "Roberto" <MARINELLUCCIA1@TISCALI.IT> escribió:

> Hola Jose,
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> esta aqui
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> http://f1.grp.yahoofs.com/v1/wL62Ua4NMmwNPpKtPSWxJiUTplgUcb08_6rkqOCmLCXIgcJwk0l9DdSR6znNB4mawBfbrhqByYqw0qP_FX4uaPdsUb6kTaA_40KizRbcb4qd2JIZrPJ1ZA/Modifica_Degen_1103_2%5B1%5D.doc
>
> Roberto
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3293. Re: Filters FmDx replacemeny

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-06-12 18:52:51 UTC
From: Roberto
Topic: 3285 Message: 3293

Hi,

goes in file section iof this groups and downlaod "modifica degen 1103 filter fm" file-
Exist in italian ans traslated.

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3294. FILE SECTION

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-06-15 06:52:23 UTC
From: akolusk@ameritech.net
Topic: 3294 Message: 3294

Why are all them files gone in file section ?

3295. Re: FILE SECTION

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-06-15 09:04:30 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 3294 Message: 3295

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "akolusk@..." <akolusk@...> wrote:
>
> Why are all them files gone in file section ?
>

They are all there!

What exactly do you see when you access the section?

Leon

3296. Re: [de1103] Re: FILE SECTION

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-06-15 10:30:16 UTC
From: The Simpsons
Topic: 3294 Message: 3296

In the files section, any folder can be opened and the files within downloaded. However the files in the root of the files section can not be accessed. You get an error saying the document can not be found.

Grant, ZL2BK

-----Original Message-----
From: Leon
Sent: Saturday, June 15, 2013 9:04 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: FILE SECTION

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "akolusk@..." <akolusk@...> wrote:
>
> Why are all them files gone in file section ?
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They are all there!

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Leon

Yahoo! Groups Links

3297. Re: FILE SECTION

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-06-15 09:12:48 UTC
From: Naqoyqatsi (aka the ICM)
Topic: 3294 Message: 3297

Make sure you're logged in to Yahoo with the right username and password or the files area is greyed out.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "akolusk@..." <akolusk@...> wrote:
>
> Why are all them files gone in file section ?
>

3298. Re: FILE SECTION

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-06-15 11:03:43 UTC
From: Leon
Topic: 3294 Message: 3298

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "The Simpsons" <grant@...> wrote:
>
> In the files section, any folder can be opened and the files within
> downloaded. However the files in the root of the files section can not be
> accessed. You get an error saying the document can not be found.

I don't get that problem.

Leon

3299. FILES SECTION

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-06-15 18:18:10 UTC
From: akolusk@ameritech.net
Topic: 3299 Message: 3299

Im ok with the files now
it was a glitch on my end thanks for the help

3300. Re: [de1103] FILES SECTION

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-06-15 20:53:16 UTC
From: The Simpsons
Topic: 3299 Message: 3300

It's all working fine now so don't know what the reason was.

Grant, ZL2BK

-----Original Message-----
From: akolusk@...
Sent: Sunday, June 16, 2013 6:18 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] FILES SECTION

Im ok with the files now
it was a glitch on my end thanks for the help

Yahoo! Groups Links

3301. Small magnetic loop antennna for 200-500kHz (NDB)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-07 09:45:49 UTC
From: krysatec
Topic: 3301 Message: 3301

Hi all,

here is very small (but good..) antenna which I use with my DE1103.
I use only "old electrics instalation boxes", cyanoacrylate and a few parts.

It is only 16x16cm but it is better than feritte antenna!

Capacitor is cca 720pF and coil have 40-42 turns by 27x litz wire.

Band is for Nondirectional beacons in EU: cca 200-500kHz now. But you can try also other coil!

Pictures here:

http://krysatec.benghi.org/phprs/images/201307070956_100_5721.jpg
http://krysatec.benghi.org/phprs/images/201307070957_100_5722.jpg
http://krysatec.benghi.org/phprs/images/201307070956_100_5720.jpg

You can use it also with other radio!

Best regards, Jara "Rat, Czech republic, EU

3302. Re: Small magnetic loop antennna for 200-500kHz (NDB)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-07 12:18:21 UTC
From: hmose
Topic: 3301 Message: 3302

And of course you can navigate as well. What is the greatest distance acheived?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "krysatec" <krysatec@...> wrote:
>
> Hi all,
>
> here is very small (but good..) antenna which I use with my DE1103.
> I use only "old electrics instalation boxes", cyanoacrylate and a few parts.
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> It is only 16x16cm but it is better than feritte antenna!
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> You can use it also with other radio!
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> Best regards, Jara "Rat, Czech republic, EU
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3303. Re: Small magnetic loop antennna for 200-500kHz (NDB)

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-08 10:56:46 UTC
From: krysatec
Topic: 3301 Message: 3303

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "hmose" <hmose@...> wrote:
>
>
> And of course you can navigate as well. What is the greatest distance acheived?

I have also other antennas (longwire, miniwhip with 70cm "rod", bigger frame antenna..)

But my vesion of "small loop" is better than Degen ´s feritte antenna!

For instance:

stations at: 225/391/408/448kHz with LW antenna 30m long is signal 4/4/9/6

at with my very small antenna 9/0/6/4

I think that it is not bad...

Loop 35x35 cm had 9/6/9/9...

Al is better than only "feritte in DE1103"....

Best regards, Jara "Rat", Czechia, EU

3304. I have been messing around with a Kaito KA35 Active antenna with my KA-1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-15 11:36:23 UTC
From: richardlewis684
Topic: 3304 Message: 3304

I have been messing around with a Kaito KA-35 active antenna with my Kaito KA 1103. I have been getting some excellent Tropical band reception with it. And there has been someone on another board messing around with putting a tunable loop on the Kaito KA-35 for longwave but I could never get it to work. Has anyone else had an experience with the KA-35 Active antenna?

3305. Re:

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-22 19:03:18 UTC
From: eknathpadekar@...
Topic: 3305 Message: 3305

Hi! http://mackieprice.org/cbs.com.network.html

3306. SDR

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-22 23:58:23 UTC
From: linopinduca
Topic: 3306 Message: 3306

Boa Noite povo!!!
Alguém já tentou conectar a saída de som (aquela á direita embaixo
do receiver) a uma entrada de som de um PC com um programa SDR baixado
da internet?No manual diz que aquela saída é hibrida,pode ser da saída FI. de 455 kHz. Vou comprar um cabo P2P e experimentar.
Obrigado
73
Lino

3307. Re: [de1103] SDR

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-23 01:09:31 UTC
From: Moisés Knochen
Topic: 3306 Message: 3307

Lino,
where did you find in the manual that the line
out jack is also an IF out?? I am reading the
DE-1103 manual, page 22, and the only thing I see
is that it is just a line out.

73
Moises

At 20:58 22/07/2013, you wrote:
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>Obrigado
>73
>Lino
>
>

Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

3308. Re: SDR

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-23 19:33:10 UTC
From: richardlewis684
Topic: 3306 Message: 3308

There was a discussion of using SDR software when using the BFO as a downconverter for DRM several months ago. I just uploaded some SDR software early this morning and the only use I found for the SDR software is for finding how off frequency a Radio Station I am listening to is. If this is supposed to do more with The Kaito KA1103 I did not find it.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "linopinduca" <lino-almeida@...> wrote:
>
> Boa Noite povo!!!
> Alguém já tentou conectar a saída de som (aquela á direita embaixo
> do receiver) a uma entrada de som de um PC com um programa SDR baixado
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> Obrigado
> 73
> Lino
>

3309. Re: [de1103] Re: SDRrichardlewis684

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-23 23:21:57 UTC
From: lino-almeida
Topic: 3306 Message: 3309

Thaank you richardlewis!

Ok ,I do suppose the same but ddidn´t have time today to go after

and I´ll be back with news ro pass away.

PS Your native language is?

73 Lino

Em 23/07/2013 16:33, richardlewis684 < richnlewis2@... > escreveu:

There was a discussion of using SDR software when using the BFO as a downconverter for DRM several months ago. I just uploaded some SDR software early this morning and the only use I found for the SDR software is for finding how off frequency a Radio Station I am listening to is. If this is supposed to do more with The Kaito KA1103 I did not find it.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "linopinduca" wrote:
>
> Boa Noite povo!!!
> Alguém já tentou conectar a saída de som (aquela á direita embaixo
> do receiver) a uma entrada de som de um PC com um programa SDR baixado
> da internet?No manual diz que aquela saída é hibrida,pode ser da saída FI. de 455 kHz.
Vou comprar um cabo P2P e experimentar.
> Obrigado
> 73
> Lino
>

3310. Re: [de1103] SDR Moisés Knochen

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-23 23:32:31 UTC
From: lino-almeida
Topic: 3306 Message: 3310

Thank you Moissés for your reply!

I asked about that because there is a (not so) new model of Degen that has

an output for SDR and I think (or so) that the oldies could be conected

as SDR.

I do not have thecnical knowledge,I´m just curious about.

73

Lino

Em 22/07/2013 22:09, Moisés Knochen < moises.knochen@... > escreveu:

Lino,
where did you find in the manual that the line out jack is also an IF out?? I am reading the DE-1103 manual, page 22, and the only thing I see is that it is just a line out.

73
Moises

At 20:58 22/07/2013, you wrote:

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Moises Knochen
Montevideo, Uruguay

3311. Re: SDRrichardlewis684

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-24 09:02:22 UTC
From: richardlewis684
Topic: 3306 Message: 3311

My language is English

3312. CI C1213C Fabricante NEC

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-24 12:17:00 UTC
From: Rama
Topic: 3312 Message: 3312

Ola amigos.
Alguem sabe onde posso encontrar o CI C1213C Fabricante NEC é um amplificador ,ou equivalente . Alguem sabe onde baixar o esquema do radio Sony ICF 6500W. Ja procurei na Net mas tá dificil,meu radio silenciou só pode ser este amplificador pois sintoniza as estações vejo pelo mostrador signal.
Agradeço qualquer ajuda.

3313. Re: [de1103] CI C1213C Fabricante NEC

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-24 15:34:45 UTC
From: edson prates
Topic: 3312 Message: 3313
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Aqui vai o Manual com diagrama em PDF, encontrei aqui:
http://elektrotanya.com/sony_icf-6500w_sm.pdf/download.html

já baixei varios esquemas nesta página, quando voce vai fazer o download, dá a mensagem de que pode prejudicar seu computador, mas nunca me aconteceu nada, sempre baixei sem problemas!

De: Rama <amm1293@yahoo.com.br>
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Enviadas: Quarta-feira, 24 de Julho de 2013 9:17
Assunto: [de1103] CI C1213C Fabricante NEC

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3314. Re: CI C1213C Fabricante NEC

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-24 16:22:12 UTC
From: richardlewis684
Topic: 3312 Message: 3314

This is the translation of the message:

Hello friends.
Anyone know where I can find the IC Manufacturer NEC C1213C is an amplifier, or equivalent.
Anyone know where to download the schema radio Sony ICF 6500W. Already searched the Net
but're hard, my radio can only be silenced because this amp tunes to stations
see the display signal.
I appreciate any help.

The Gmail account I have will translate foreign language messages.

Now to answer the question:

The only places I know is in the US.

Try Mouser Electronics (http://www.mouser.com) or Digi-Key (http://www.digikey.com)for the semiconductor item. As for the Sony schematic there may be a group that may be able to help you.

Good luck
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3315. Re: [de1103] Re: Batteries worn out?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-24 21:22:53 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 3312 Message: 3315

Hi All!

I have my DE1103 since 3 years.

Now, after 23 hours of charging, the battery indicator still blinks on and off.
Would the rechargable batteries have worn out?

Can I use just normal AA Alkaline batteries in it?

Thanks,
Bruno in Belgium

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From: richardlewis684 <richnlewis2@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 24, 2013 6:22 PM
Subject: [de1103] Re: CI C1213C Fabricante NEC

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3316. Re: Batteries worn out?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-24 22:19:28 UTC
From: Naqoyqatsi (aka the ICM)
Topic: 3312 Message: 3316

Why not simply replace the rechargeable batteries with a new set instead of spending money on disposable ones?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, bruno geuth <geuth_consulting@...> wrote:
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3317. Re: [de1103] Re: SDRrichardlewis684

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-25 00:21:21 UTC
From: lino-almeida
Topic: 3306 Message: 3317

Ok

Keep in touch

Em 24/07/2013 06:02, richardlewis684 < richnlewis2@... > escreveu:

My language is English

3318. Re: Batteries worn out?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-25 12:35:55 UTC
From: julian
Topic: 3312 Message: 3318

Rechargables are not satisfactory in the DE1103, because the desiners unfortunately set the drop-out voltage about 4.9V. Four new and fully-charged NiMH only give 5.0V so you only get about an hour of use from rechargables when they are in good condition
My suggestion is to shop around for a bulk-buy of reliable alkaline cells, and use them in a torch or something when they fail in the 1103

Oh, and take them out when not in use for more than a few days because the 1103 will drain the batteries for the clock and microprocessor

I wonder how long most users get from non-rechargables in the 1103?

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Naqoyqatsi (aka the ICM)" <special@...> wrote:
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3319. Re: Batteries worn out?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-25 13:58:17 UTC
From: Naqoyqatsi (aka the ICM)
Topic: 3312 Message: 3319

Thats strange as I'm still running mine on the original NiMh cells it came with a few years back.
I can still get well over an hour out of them but if I was aiming to use it for a longer continuous period I'd run it on the mains PSU anyway.

Even when I don't use it for several weeks at a time I've yet to find I have flat batteries on switch on and I never remove them as I like to have it to hand when the late night sleepless bug hits.

What I do ensure though is that I never leave it with half flat batteries or set to float charge for less than a 13 hour timed period and I never charge the batteries until the indicator is flashing.

And as I say, they still work.

To be truthful I'd rather keep charging my batteries than paying good money for alkaline cells which simply end up in landfill despite all government supposed good intentions with recycling.

It seems that different folks have different experiences with the Degen and its batteries

Naq

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "julian" <julian@...> wrote:
>
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3320. Re: CI C1213C Fabricante NEC

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-25 14:55:36 UTC
From: Jay
Topic: 3312 Message: 3320
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

This incomplete service manual has not only been circulating on the net for years but I bought a paid copy and it too was missing one crucial section...the alignment instructions. I am ataching those here.

Jay

3321. Re: [de1103] Re: Batteries worn out?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-26 05:08:51 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3312 Message: 3321

This is not true. NiMH batteries vary slightly in their full charge voltage. I get 1.4-1.44V on fully charged NiMH batteries. My Kaito KA1103 came with very poor quality batteries. With 2100Mah NiMh (Ray-o-vac 16X) batteries I get 25-28 hours of use before the radio shuts off. These radios were designed to use rechargeable NiMH batteries.

On 07/25/2013 07:35 AM, julian wrote:
> Rechargables are not satisfactory in the DE1103, because the desiners unfortunately set the drop-out voltage about 4.9V. Four new and fully-charged NiMH only give 5.0V so you only get about an hour of use from rechargables when they are in good condition
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3322. Re: [de1103] Re: Batteries worn out?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-26 05:14:29 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 3312 Message: 3322

Using normal alkaline batteries will be ok.

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: bruno geuth
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Cc: Rod Wallberg
Sent: Thursday, July 25, 2013 9:22 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Batteries worn out?

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3323. Re: [de1103] Re: Batteries worn out?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-28 04:24:01 UTC
From: robert gorsch
Topic: 3312 Message: 3323

I have been using rechargables in my Grundig G5 for years. I get many hours of use after a recharge. I can't say how many hours, but I play the radio daily and it plays for weeks before the batteries need another recharge. I believe the G5 is all but identical with the 1103.

From: julian <julian@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, July 25, 2013 5:35 AM
Subject: [de1103] Re: Batteries worn out?

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3324. Re: Batteries worn out?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-28 13:56:52 UTC
From: julian
Topic: 3312 Message: 3324

It's good to see that many users have good results with rechargables in these radios. If anyone can use a variable bench power supply to power a DE1103 or G5 I'd be interested to know the voltage below which the radio will not work

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3325. Re: Batteries worn out?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-07-29 15:27:51 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 3312 Message: 3325

I find the lowest battery voltage to be around 3.8 to 4.2 volts DC. At this point the receiver shuts down. "Dead" batteries at this level with not allow the rig to power up, I have to approach this voltage level from normal voltage.
In the opposite direction, the radio will not tolerate too high of a voltage but can handle just over 8 volts before the display goes wacko! I have not pushed this too far!

73 Rod KB8DNS

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3326. noise when handling receiver

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-08-03 18:50:05 UTC
From: Roberto
Topic: 3326 Message: 3326

Hi at all,

when i use the degen with telescopic antenna i heard a noise changing if i handling receiver (i.e. hand near keyboard or right side during reception).
If i place the rx on standing support after many minutes the noise goes down.

I've place some sheld internally as suggested by Iris (radioscanner.ru), without results.

Some suggestions?

Thanks

Roberto iw2evk

Milan

3327. Re: noise when handling receiver

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-08-04 00:08:48 UTC
From: alessandrobianco39
Topic: 3326 Message: 3327

Try to build a wooden cage with crossed rods . Then upholster this structure with common aluminum foil.
Place your radio in this structure and try to see what happen.
With this ancient technique I solved so many noises and lots of interference from anywhere.

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> Roberto iw2evk
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> Milan
>

3328. Re: noise when handling receiver

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-08-04 10:26:52 UTC
From: alessandrobianco39
Topic: 3326 Message: 3328

Ho visto in giro consigli sul dengen dei più svariati; ma quello che impressiona è l'incompetenza e l'approssimazione di chi scrive.
Anni fa non era così.
Sul circuiti moderni e quasi posti a livello di schede madri per PC c'è poco da fare.
Una soluzione indolore, da valutare postazione per postazione, è la gabbia che ti ho proposto; a me funziona con i ricevitori di fascia bassa. Sul Drake R7 o sul Collins non si pone problema!
Buona fortuna !
Sandro

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3329. Re: noise when handling receiver

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-08-04 17:47:35 UTC
From: poikaa
Topic: 3326 Message: 3329

Your hand may be picking up the digital noise created by the display and causing a loop rebroadcast from your hand and body that your receiver will amplify.
This will vary from radio to radio and there is no real cure. It may be possible to add more shielding (screening) internally. possibly to add a ground wire.

73 Rod KB8DNS

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "Roberto" <MARINELLUCCIA1@...> wrote:
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> Thanks
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> Roberto iw2evk
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> Milan
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3330. Re: noise when handling receiver

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-08-05 06:05:06 UTC
From: Mvs
Topic: 3326 Message: 3330

i feel it is static , due to very low relative humidity. Yhis is common in cold countries, i heard.
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3331. Re: noise when handling receiver

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-08-05 08:51:34 UTC
From: Henry
Topic: 3326 Message: 3331

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "poikaa" <kb8dns@...> wrote:
>
> Your hand may be picking up the digital noise created by the display and causing a loop rebroadcast from your hand and body that your receiver will amplify.

That is true. Like many other portable radios (and even more expensive communications receivers) the internal CPU and mostly the display are not shielded very well. When touching the device your body picks up that noise and acts like a broadcasting antenna. In this case only an external antenna placed far away from the Degen (and your body) can help.
Henry

3332. Re: [de1103] noise when handling receiver

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-08-05 09:17:08 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3326 Message: 3332

Hi Roberto. Just a thought, have you tried a different location in your home? A location outside your home? My thought is that maybe your body is picking up locally generated noise, and acts as an antenna when you touch the receiver, making the local noise worse.

Try using the radio in another room, and outside. Maybe even a block or 2 away or in a park. An outside antenna connected with coax might help, especially if you connect a ground to the coax shield.

Just a few thoughts on things you might try.

TTYL

On 08/03/2013 01:50 PM, Roberto wrote:
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KBOHAE kb0hae@... Martin Campbell
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Temporary Safety, deserve neither Liberty nor Safety." Benjamin Franklin (1818). Best privacy policy: Never Ever entrust your data to anyone but yourself!!!

3335. Re: noise when handling receiver

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-08-06 18:32:56 UTC
From: Roberto
Topic: 3326 Message: 3335

Hi all,

the most simple way i've found it's connect a 5 meters of exetranl wire antenna feeded via 9:1 un un .
The noise disapperas and the signals are strongs and clean.

Aanyway this is not the best solution for a "portagle radio".
The faraday cage from Sandro is intersted but not easy to manage...

Roberto

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "alessandrobianco39" <profbianco@...> wrote:
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>
> Ho visto in giro consigli sul dengen dei più svariati; ma quello che impressiona è l'incompetenza e l'approssimazione di chi scrive.
> Anni fa non era così.
> Sul circuiti moderni e quasi posti a livello di schede madri per PC c'è poco da fare.
> Una soluzione indolore, da valutare postazione per postazione, è la gabbia che ti ho proposto; a me funziona con i ricevitori di fascia bassa. Sul Drake R7 o sul Collins non si pone problema!
> Buona fortuna !
> Sandro
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> > Try to build a wooden cage with crossed rods . Then upholster this structure with common aluminum foil.
> > Place your radio in this structure and try to see what happen.
> > With this ancient technique I solved so many noises and lots of interference from anywhere.
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3336. Re: I have been messing around with a Kaito KA35 Active antenna with my KA-1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-08-11 04:34:14 UTC
From: richardlewis684
Topic: 3304 Message: 3336

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3337. Re: [de1103] Re: I have been messing around with a Kaito KA35 Active antenna with my KA-1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-08-11 08:01:38 UTC
From: Bjarne Mjelde
Topic: 3304 Message: 3337

Remember that the MFJ most likely has a 50 ohm output. I don't know what impedance the 1103 antenna connector has but I've seen hints about 1 kOhm in this reflector. If this is the case, and the KA-35 has been built to match the 1103 I am not at all surprised.

I did a brief test this morning as I connected a Mini-Whip (outdoor active antenna, at 7 meters) to the 1103, and compared some signals in the 25-meter band. I was rather surprised to learn that the signal level was actually better with the 1103's own whip than with the outdoor antenna. The outdoor antenna connected to my NetSDR of course provided far better reception. This could indicate that there is an impedance mismatch leading to a considerable attenuation of the signals.

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2013/8/11 richardlewis684 <richnlewis2@gmail.com>

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3338. Re: [de1103] Re: I have been messing around with a Kaito KA35 Active antenna with my KA-1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-08-11 10:16:57 UTC
From: Jose joaquin Guell
Topic: 3304 Message: 3338

Hi Bjarne & everyone

I haven't never used my 1103 to do DX in shortwave. Just a weeks ago I replaced fm wide filters by two fm narrow filters (110 & 80 khz) in order to check it in FM DX. Selectivity improved a lot, and it looks an absolutely different radio.

I have a large experience in shortwave DX with great receivers, but I haven't never checked my 1103 because I thought It might suffer any damage if I connect it to my active loop wellbrok antenna. I read that you are using an active antenna with your receiver. So, can't a strong signal damage the 1st stage of the receiver?

73's
Josep

El 11/08/2013, a las 10:01, Bjarne Mjelde <bjarne.mjelde@...> escribió:

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3339. UNSUBSCRIBE ME

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-08-11 10:58:38 UTC
From: Skywarn PB6027
Topic: 3339 Message: 3339

----- Original Message -----
From: Jose joaquin Guell
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2013 6:16 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: I have been messing around with a Kaito KA35 Active antenna with my KA-1103

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3340. Re: [de1103] Re: I have been messing around with a Kaito KA35 Active antenna with my KA-1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-08-11 12:22:55 UTC
From: Bjarne Mjelde
Topic: 3304 Message: 3340

Josep, I live in a part of the world where the signal levels are generally low, so I don't worry about overloading.

Bjarne

2013/8/11 Jose joaquin Guell <jjguell@...>

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3341. MPF102

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-08-11 18:21:11 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 3341 Message: 3341

Hi all looking through my bits and bobs box, I found a good working MPF102, I will replace the damaged front end Transistor on my Degen DE-1103.
But I need to know what way round do I put it in, I can not afford to make a mistake as this is the only transistor that I have for the job.

TIA,

Mike.

3342. Re: MPF102

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-08-11 18:47:43 UTC
From: Mike
Topic: 3341 Message: 3342

Its Ok found the info I needed.

Mike.

3343. Re: [de1103] Re: I have been messing around with a Kaito KA35 Active antenna with my KA-1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-08-12 07:06:07 UTC
From: robert gorsch
Topic: 3304 Message: 3343

I have both the Degen 1103 and the Grundig G5. It is my understanding that the external antenna input for the G5 is low impedance (50-75 ohms); this is stated in the manual of the Grundig G5/Eton E5. I am wondering if this isn't true of the Degen as well, since the Grundig/Eton is in most respects a clone of the Degen. Though I have a Degen 1103, I haven't actually done a side by side comparison to determine whether it behaves exactly like the Grundig G5.

RG

From: Bjarne Mjelde <bjarne.mjelde@...>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2013 1:01 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: I have been messing around with a Kaito KA35 Active antenna with my KA-1103

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-08-12 20:35:20 UTC
From: richardlewis684
Topic: 3304 Message: 3344

My KA-35 nearly approximates my whip on Short Wave if not a little better. The station I pulled in last night on the Tropical Band was from South Africa and was coming in faintly from Forest, MS, USA and the KA-35 it comes in just a little bit more. The KA-1103 and the Degan DE-1103 and the Grundig G5 are the same board RF wise. The FET front end makes the Kaito KA-1103 hot. You can interchange the KA-35 with the KA-1103 with the whip up on Short Wave and on some bands you could not tell the difference. What is different is on AM you can practically pull some local signals out of the dust with the KA 35 pickup coil and the amplified loop feature of the Kaito-KA35 near the built-in ferrite loop which comes in with the Kaito KA-1103. I know of one oldies station in Jackson, MS USA that is faint or doesn't come in very well from 40 miles away and the pickup coil plugged into the KA-35 comes in like a regular local. And yes the radio has a 50 ohms input.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, Bjarne Mjelde <bjarne.mjelde@...> wrote:
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> antenna, at 7 meters) to the 1103, and compared some signals in the
> 25-meter band. I was rather surprised to learn that the signal level was
> actually better with the 1103's own whip than with the outdoor antenna. The
> outdoor antenna connected to my NetSDR of course provided far better
> reception. This could indicate that there is an impedance mismatch leading
> to a considerable attenuation of the signals.
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> Bjarne Mjelde
> arcticdx.blogspot.com
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>
> 2013/8/11 richardlewis684 <richnlewis2@...>
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> > **
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> >
> > Do not buy a MFJ 1020-c Active antenna for your Kaito/Degan KA-1103.
> > Instead, go to http://www.kaitousa.com and buy a Kaito KA-35 Active
> > antenna directly or you can pick one up at Universal Radio. I tried the
> > KA-35 and the MFJ-1020c side by side with my KA-1103 and I found out that
> > the MFJ-1020C does not pull in the Stations as well as the Kaito KA-35.
> > When the MFJ-1020c hooked as an active antenna the MFJ 1020C will tune the
> > stations in much weaker than the KA-35 will. This is one advantage I found.
> > The signal strength is not adjustable on the KA-35. When hooked up to my

> > antenna with the MFJ-1020c with the whip disconnected, the Kaito KA-1103
> > acted as if there was no tank circuit to peak the antenna. With all due
> > respects to Larry Magne, this did not work as it was touted to be and it
> > did not amplify the signal or peak the signal at all.
> >
> > The conclusion I make is the Kaito KA-35 is much better for the KA-1103.
> >
> > You may swear that you won't need it but where I was testing on the
> > tropical bands the Kaito KA-35 would pull in a few more stations than just
> > the whip which comes with the Kaito/Degan KA-1103. Also, if you are looking
> > for a good AM amplified antenna, The Kaito KA-35 will work very well with
> > the Kaito KA-1103.You can use the pickup coil that comes with the Kaito
> > KA-35 or if you know a trick or two and tune below 100 Khz and tune up to
> > the MW band(BCB)you can hook the antenna directly. (If you do not know the
> > trick there is plenty of info in the files on this).
> >
> > In conclusion, I will keep my Kaito KA-35 and return the MFJ-1020C to the
> > retailer who sold me this on Ebay.
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> > --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "richardlewis684" <richnlewis2@> wrote:
> > >
> > > I have been messing around with a Kaito KA-35 active antenna with my
> > Kaito KA 1103. I have been getting some excellent Tropical band reception
> > with it. And there has been someone on another board messing around with
> > putting a tunable loop on the Kaito KA-35 for longwave but I could never
> > get it to work. Has anyone else had an experience with the KA-35 Active
> > antenna?
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> --
> From the world's northernmost DX-er
> Bjarne Mjelde, Arctic Norway
> kongsfjord.no
> arcticdx.blogspot.com
>

3345. ribbon cable replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-08-14 10:20:51 UTC
From: Roberto
Topic: 3345 Message: 3345

Hi at all,
during working for repair antenna , i've damaged the ribbon cable for connect the 2 half of radio.
Someone know were buy a similira flat cable (if possible more long!)
Or , someone have tried to connect the 2 bouard using multiple wires recovered from i.e. network cable like this :

http://www.radioscanner.ru/forum/topic13752-157.html

Thanks

Roberto iw2evk

3346. Solar charger cable

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-08-29 17:01:21 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3346 Message: 3346

Hi Folks. I just got a solar charger. This charger basically has solar cells that charge its internal 2600Mah Li-Ion battery. When charged, the unit can be used to run or charge various devices. The charger has outputs of 4.5v, 5.5v, 6.5v, and 9v. Therefore with an appropriate cable it should be able to run (maybe charge the batteries too) in my Grundig G5, and Kaito KA1103. Has anyone tried this before? The cable needed is micro-USB to the correct coaxial plug for the radios. Does anyone know of a cable that will work? Or has anyone made a cable? Does anyone know what size coaxial connector fits these radios?

Thanks.

BTW this charger is available on eBay for $13.99 shipped.

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Date: 2013-08-29 19:31:22 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3346 Message: 3347

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3348. RE: Solar charger cable

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-08-30 03:29:56 UTC
From: <dwarmstr@...>
Topic: 3346 Message: 3348

Stefano answered the power connector size question for me (I built an external battery pack with 5x AA NiMH) at http://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/de1103/conversations/messages/3112
:

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "dwarmstr" <dwarmstr@...> wrote:
>
> What is the size of the DC power connector, the barrel and the pin, on the Degen 1103?
>

Outer diameter of the plug connector = 4 mm. / / The central hole accepts a pin of 1.5 mm.
Plug length =10 mm
These are measures of the external male connector, not the female socket of Degen! Ok?

Best 73 ! Stefano.

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, <kb0hae@...> wrote:

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3349. Power supply cut-off threshold issue and other...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-09-25 19:37:38 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3349 Message: 3349

Hi all,
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The first is related to the "blip blip" noise when moving the jog for tuning, expecially in some bands. I found the description of a fix, which requires two additional 15nF capacitors to be mounted.

The second is the too high power supply cut-off threshold, which prevent from using the full charge of rechargeable batteries. I have measured this threshold on my receiver, the power supply cut-off occurs below 4.79 V, but a voltage greater than 4.90 V is needed in order to turn the Degen on again.

I couldn't find an already tested fix for this issue, so I decided to study the schematic in order to find a solution. The supply voltage (VDD) is checked at two points:

1. pin 8 of IC10 (46R47), an analog input of the micro controller, fed by a voltage divider made of two 470kOhm resistors
2. pin 19 of IC8 (S3P72N4), fed by the output of the ZS2 (7039) voltage detector, whose output goes low if the VDD falls below 3.9 V.

The 3.9 V threshold is very different from 4.78 V, so I don't think the cut-off threshold has something to do with IC8.

If the cut-off is driven according to the voltage read at pin 8 of IC10, a 4.78V voltage at VDD corresponds to a 2.39V at the pin 8. Let's assume this is the voltage threshold stored in the IC10 firmware. In order to move the cut-off voltage from 4.78V to i.e. 4.0V, we should change the voltage divider ratio: 4.0/(1+R846/R847) = 2.39, so R846/R847 = 0.67364. If we let R847 = 470kOhm, then R846 = 316.6kOhm, which can be approximately obtained connecting an additional 1MOhm resistor in parallel to R846. We should obtain a new cut-off threshold of 4.02V.

Is a such voltage compatible with the Degen circuitry?
IC8 and IC10 are powered by a 3.0 V voltage, obtained from VDD by means of a LDO regulator (ZS3, 7530), whose min input operating voltage is 4.0 V. Other min supply requirements are: 4.0 V (ZS1, 7530 feeding IC4), 1.6 V (IC1, TA7358) , 3.5 V (IC2, TA2057N), 1.8/3.0 V (IC5, CXA1622P), 3V (IC3, LM358AM). Therefore the supply voltage requirement to be fulfilled is 4.0 V. This should be compatible with the new cut-off threshold of 4.02V, which can be considered as the series of four 1.005V batteries, which corresponds to almost-drained NiMH quality batteries.

Has anyone already experimented something similar?

Regards

Luigi

3350. RE: Power supply cut-off threshold issue and other...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-09-27 09:33:48 UTC
From: <julian@...>
Topic: 3349 Message: 3350

This is very exciting news Luigi; the drop-out voltage is a major problem for me, though I see that others have reported drop-out voltages around 4V, see the earlier thread
http://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/de1103/conversations/topics/3312
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Regards

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3351. Re: [de1103] RE: Power supply cut-off threshold issue and other...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-09-27 10:00:22 UTC
From: <special@...>
Topic: 3349 Message: 3351

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Dale

From: julian@rosestone.me.uk
Sent: Friday, September 27, 2013 10:33 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] RE: Power supply cut-off threshold issue and other...

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Regards

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3352. R: [de1103] RE: Power supply cut-off threshold issue and other...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-09-27 15:36:23 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3352 Message: 3352

Hi Jules,
Surfing on the Net I have read of 4V cut off threshold, too. Maybe they are older versions of the receiver.
I have checked mine, it has the input FET stage protection diodes, a modification typical of the receiver new version.
I am happy you are interested in the cut off threshold modification; it will be interesting to compare our experiences.

Luigi

Inviato da Samsung Mobile

-------- Messaggio originale --------
Da: julian@rosestone.me.uk
Data:
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Regards
Luigi

3353. RE: CI C1213C Fabricante NEC

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-09-27 19:36:12 UTC
From: <luigi.candurro@...>
Topic: 3312 Message: 3353

I have tested the power supply characteristic of my DE1103, bought 10 days ago, with a variable power supply. This are the results of the test:

Vbatt (V)

N. of "ticks"

Battery indicator

Receiver behaviour

6

9

Still

Stays on

5,95

9

Still

Stays on

5,9

9

Still

Stays on

5,85

9

Still

Stays on

5,8

9

Still

Stays on

5,75

6

Still

Stays on

5,7

6

Still

Stays on

5,65

6

Still

Stays on

5,6

6

Still

Stays on

5,55

6

Still

Stays on

5,5

6

Still

Stays on

5,45

4

Still

Stays on

5,4

4

Still

Stays on

5,35

4

Still

Stays on

5,3

4

Still

Stays on

5,25

4

Still

Stays on

5,2

4

Still

Stays on

5,15

2

Flashing

Stays on

5,1

2

Flashing

Stays on

5,05

2

Flashing

Stays on

5

2

Flashing

Stays on

4,95

2

Flashing

Stays on

4,9

0

Flashing

Stays on

4,85

0

Flashing

Stays on

4,8

0

Flashing

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4,78

0

Flashing

Shuts down

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Turns on

---In de1103@yahoogroups.com, <kb8dns@...> wrote:

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73 Rod KB8DNS

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "julian" <julian@...> wrote:
>
> It's good to see that many users have good results with rechargables in these radios. If anyone can use a variable bench power supply to power a DE1103 or G5 I'd be interested to know the voltage below which the radio will not work
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, robert gorsch <rgorsch@> wrote:
> >
> > I have been using rechargables in my Grundig G5 for years.Â I get many hours of use after a recharge.Â I can't say how many hours, but I play the radio daily and it plays for weeks before the batteries need another recharge.Â I believe the G5 is all but identical with the 1103.
> >
>

3354. Re: Power supply cut-off threshold issue and other...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-09-27 19:44:27 UTC
From: Nelson
Topic: 3349 Message: 3354

If you use Firefox, there's a plugin that allows you to use the old format.

http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/ModerationPlugin/
<http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/ModerationPlugin/>

One thing I really hate about the new format is that pictures are now displayed through Javascript, which makes it much more difficult to save them for reference.

Nelson

--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, wrote:
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> Dale

3355. RE: CI C1213C Fabricante NEC

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-09-27 19:57:17 UTC
From: <luigi.candurro@...>
Topic: 3312 Message: 3355

As the test results say, the cut-off voltage threshold is too high for NiMH batteries.
When the cut-off function occurs, the batteries still have much energy stored.
I'm trying to modify the voltage monitoring circuit, in order to lower the cut-off threshold to a more convenient value, 4V, compliant with the supply min requirements of the I.C. used in the receiver.

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5,8

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Still

Stays on

5,75

6

Still

Stays on

5,7

6

Still

Stays on

5,65

6

Still

Stays on

5,6

6

Still

Stays on

5,55

6

Still

Stays on

5,5

6

Still

Stays on

5,45

4

Still

Stays on

5,4

4

Still

Stays on

5,35

4

Still

Stays on

5,3

4

Still

Stays on

5,25

4

Still

Stays on

5,2

4

Still

Stays on

5,15

2

Flashing

Stays on

5,1

2

Flashing

Stays on

5,05

2

Flashing

Stays on

5

2

Flashing

Stays on

4,95

2

Flashing

Stays on

4,9

0

Flashing

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--- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, "julian" <julian@...> wrote:
>
> It's good to see that many users have good results with rechargables in these radios. If anyone can use a variable bench power supply to power a DE1103 or G5 I'd be interested to know the voltage below which the radio will not work
>
> --- In de1103@yahoogroups.com, robert gorsch <rgorsch@> wrote:
> >
> > I have been using rechargables in my Grundig G5 for years.Â I get many hours of use after a recharge.Â I can't say how many hours, but I play the radio daily and it plays for weeks before the batteries need another recharge.Â I believe the G5 is all but identical with the 1103.
> >
>

3356. Re: [de1103] RE: CI C1213C Fabricante NEC

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-09-27 21:47:24 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3312 Message: 3356

Hi Guys. I have never tested the batteries my KA1103 or my G5 shut down, but with 2100Mah low self discharge batteries, both radios run 24-28 hours (over a week or so) before the radios shut down. The test results below show that the battery voltage should be 1.195 per cell when the radio shuts down. 1.225v per cell is required for the radio will turn on. This is of course if the battery voltages on all 4 batteries are the same.

My NiMH batteries used for the above radios all test at 1.44v when fully charged (in the radio). I do not know if the shut-down voltage of my radios matched that of your radio. I hope that you realize that making the shut-down voltage too low could damage parts in your radio.

ttyl

On 09/27/2013 02:57 PM, luigi.candurro@... wrote:
>
>
> As the test results say, the cut-off voltage threshold is too high for NiMH
> batteries.
>
> When the cut-off function occurs, the batteries still have much energy stored.
>
> I'm trying to modify the voltage monitoring circuit, in order to lower the
> cut-off threshold to a more convenient value, 4V, compliant with the supply min
> requirements of the I.C. used in the receiver.
>
>
>
> ---In de1103@yahoogroups.com,<luigi.candurro@...> wrote:
>
> I have tested the power supply characteristic of my DE1103, bought 10 days ago,
> with a variable power supply. This are the results of the test:
>
>
> Vbatt (V) N. of "ticks" Battery indicator Receiver behaviour
> 6 9 Still Stays on
> 5,95 9 Still Stays on
> 5,9 9 Still Stays on
> 5,85 9 Still Stays on
> 5,8 9 Still Stays on
> 5,75 6 Still Stays on
> 5,7 6 Still Stays on
> 5,65 6 Still Stays on
> 5,6 6 Still Stays on
> 5,55 6 Still Stays on

> 5,5 6 Still Stays on
> 5,45 4 Still Stays on
> 5,4 4 Still Stays on
> 5,35 4 Still Stays on
> 5,3 4 Still Stays on
> 5,25 4 Still Stays on
> 5,2 4 Still Stays on
> 5,15 2 Flashing Stays on
> 5,1 2 Flashing Stays on
> 5,05 2 Flashing Stays on
> 5 2 Flashing Stays on
> 4,95 2 Flashing Stays on
> 4,9 0 Flashing Stays on
> 4,85 0 Flashing Stays on
> 4,8 0 Flashing Stays on
> 4,78 0 Flashing Shuts down
> > 4,90 Turns on
>

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3357. Re: [de1103] RE: CI C1213C Fabricante NEC

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-09-27 22:17:19 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3312 Message: 3357

Il 27/09/2013 23:47, Martin ha scritto:
>
> Hi Guys. I have never tested the batteries my KA1103 or my G5 shut
> down, but with 2100Mah low self discharge batteries, both radios run
> 24-28 hours (over a week or so) before the radios shut down. The test
> results below show that the battery voltage should be 1.195 per cell
> when the radio shuts down. 1.225v per cell is required for the radio
> will turn on. This is of course if the battery voltages on all 4
> batteries are the same.
>
Hi Martin,
the voltage values you have referred to give, if multiplied by 4,
exactly the threshold voltage values of 4.78 V and 4.90 V I have
measured in my receiver test. I think our receivers have the same
cut-off and turn-on voltage thresholds.

> I hope that you realize that making
> the shut-down voltage too low could damage parts in your radio.
>
I have cross-checked the new expected threshold voltage, 4V, with the
I.C. data-sheets; it should be compatible with the I.C. minimum power
requirements. These component are the most susceptible to under-voltage
problems, expecially the two microprocessors and the EEPROM.
Nevertheless they are fed by a 3.0V LDO voltage regulator, which can
operate correctly even with 4V at its input. I'm optimist about the
possibility that the receiver may operate safely even with a 4 or 4.1V
supply.

Luigi

3358. Re: [de1103] RE: CI C1213C Fabricante NEC

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-09-28 15:33:15 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3312 Message: 3358

Hi Luigi. Apparently I was not clear. I have not measured the voltages of my batteries after the radio shuts down. The values I gave were calculated from the voltages you gave, and were just for reference. I have never tried to determine the voltage at which my radios shut down.

Have you kept track f the time the batteries last from full charge to shut down? It is easy. Just write down the times and dates when you turn the radio on and off. Then you can add up the times and get the number of hours your radio will run on a set of batteries.

ttyl

On 09/27/2013 05:17 PM, Luigi Candurro wrote:
> Il 27/09/2013 23:47, Martin ha scritto:

> Hi Martin,
> the voltage values you have referred to give, if multiplied by 4,
> exactly the threshold voltage values of 4.78 V and 4.90 V I have
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> problems, expecially the two microprocessors and the EEPROM.
> Nevertheless they are fed by a 3.0V LDO voltage regulator, which can
> operate correctly even with 4V at its input. I'm optimist about the
> possibility that the receiver may operate safely even with a 4 or 4.1V
> supply.
>
> Luigi
>

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3359. Re: [de1103] RE: CI C1213C Fabricante NEC

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-09-28 16:40:12 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3312 Message: 3359

Hi Martin,

I didn't keep track of the time you refer to; however I checked the
1300mAh batteries as soon as the cut-off occur: they are all 1.24V.
In my opinion, NiMH batteries at 1.24 V are far to be considered drained.
Indeed battery analysers usually take 0.9V as the discharge cut-off
voltage for NiMH batteries.
I think the operating time is important, but it is more important that
batteries charge is effectively used by the receiver. Unfortunately this
does not happen, now.

Luigi

Il 28/09/2013 17:33, Martin ha scritto:
>
> Hi Luigi. Apparently I was not clear. I have not measured the voltages
> of my batteries after the radio shuts down. The values I gave were
> calculated from the voltages you gave, and were just for reference. I
> have never tried to determine the voltage at which my radios shut down.
>
> Have you kept track f the time the batteries last from full charge to
> shut down? It is easy. Just write down the times and dates when you
> turn the radio on and off. Then you can add up the times and get the
> number of hours your radio will run on a set of batteries.
>
> ttyl
>
> On 09/27/2013 05:17 PM, Luigi Candurro wrote:
> > Il 27/09/2013 23:47, Martin ha scritto:
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> > problems, expecially the two microprocessors and the EEPROM.
> > Nevertheless they are fed by a 3.0V LDO voltage regulator, which can
> > operate correctly even with 4V at its input. I'm optimist about the
> > possibility that the receiver may operate safely even with a 4 or 4.1V

> > supply.
> >
> > Luigi
> >
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3360. Re: R: [de1103] RE: Power supply cut-off threshold issue and other...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-09-28 16:42:59 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3352 Message: 3360

I implemented the change I have explained before in this thread;
unfortunately only the battery charge indicator is affected.
The cut-off voltage and the turn-on-from-cut-off voltage are almost
unchanged: 4,80V and 4,91V.
There is something missing...

Il 27/09/2013 17:36, Luigi Candurro ha scritto:
> Hi Jules,
> Surfing on the Net I have read of 4V cut off threshold, too. Maybe
> they are older versions of the receiver.
> I have checked mine, it has the input FET stage protection diodes, a
> modification typical of the receiver new version.
> I am happy you are interested in the cut off threshold modification;
> it will be interesting to compare our experiences.
>
> Luigi
>
>
> Inviato da Samsung Mobile
>
>
>
> -------- Messaggio originale --------
> Da: julian@...
> Data:
> A: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Oggetto: [de1103] RE: Power supply cut-off threshold issue and other...
>
>
> This is very exciting news Luigi; the drop-out voltage is a major
> problem for me, though I see that others have reported drop-out
> voltages around 4V, see the earlier thread
>
> http://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/de1103/conversations/topics/3312
>
> (I hope the link works, the new Yahoo system is a disaster, you cannot
> now search the group)
>
> I will modify mine and post the results
>
> - Jules
>
> Luigi wrote:
>
> I couldn't find an already tested fix for this issue, so I decided to

> study the schematic in order to find a solution.
>
>
>
> ---In de1103@yahoogroups.com, <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
>
> Hi all,
> I bought the DE1103 a week ago, it's a pretty good receiver but there
> are some issues, two of which I would like to fix.
>
> The first is related to the "blip blip" noise when moving the jog for
> tuning, expecially in some bands. I found the description of a fix,
> which requires two additional 15nF capacitors to be mounted.
>
> The second is the too high power supply cut-off threshold, which
> prevent from using the full charge of rechargeable batteries. I have
> measured this threshold on my receiver, the power supply cut-off
> occurs below 4.79 V, but a voltage greater than 4.90 V is needed in
> order to turn the Degen on again.
>
> I couldn't find an already tested fix for this issue, so I decided to
> study the schematic in order to find a solution. The supply voltage
> (VDD) is checked at two points:
>
> 1. pin 8 of IC10 (46R47), an analog input of the micro controller,
> fed by a voltage divider made of two 470kOhm resistors
> 2. pin 19 of IC8 (S3P72N4), fed by the output of the ZS2 (7039)
> voltage detector, whose output goes low if the VDD falls below 3.9 V.
>
> The 3.9 V threshold is very different from 4.78 V, so I don't think
> the cut-off threshold has something to do with IC8.
>
> If the cut-off is driven according to the voltage read at pin 8 of
> IC10, a 4.78V voltage at VDD corresponds to a 2.39V at the pin 8.
> Let's assume this is the voltage threshold stored in the IC10
> firmware. In order to move the cut-off voltage from 4.78V to i.e.
> 4.0V, we should change the voltage divider ratio: 4.0/(1+R846/R847) =
> 2.39, so R846/R847 = 0.67364. If we let R847 = 470kOhm, then R846 =
> 316.6kOhm, which can be approximately obtained connecting an
> additional 1MOhm resistor in parallel to R846. We should obtain a new
> cut-off threshold of 4.02V.
>
> Is a such voltage compatible with the Degen circuitry?
> IC8 and IC10 are powered by a 3.0 V voltage, obtained from VDD by
> means of a LDO regulator (ZS3, 7530), whose min input operating
> voltage is 4.0 V.
> Other min supply requirements are: 4.0 V (ZS1, 7530 feeding IC4), 1.6
> V (IC1, TA7358) , 3.5 V (IC2, TA2057N), 1.8/3.0 V (IC5, CXA1622P), 3V
> (IC3, LM358AM). Therefore the supply voltage requirement to be
> fulfilled is 4.0 V. This should be compatible with the new cut-off

> threshold of 4.02V, which can be considered as the series of four
> 1.005V batteries, which corresponds to almost-drained NiMH quality
> batteries.
>
> Has anyone already experimented something similar?
>
> Regards
>
> Luigi
>
>

3361. DC jack fault and battery cut-off threshold issue: SOLVED

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-09-29 16:35:46 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3352 Message: 3361

If the exclusion contact of the J2 DC jack connector remains open because of a fault, the receiver current flows in the following way: battery+, receiver circuit, ground path, 2D3 diode, battery-. The diode 2D3 has not been reported in the schematic, it may be a recent upgrade. This diode is connected between the battery negative terminal (cathode) and the ground (anode).

If the receiver is on, the diode add a voltage dropout of 0.8 - 0.9 V, which makes the CPU section see a lower battery voltage, and the voltage monitor raise the shut-down condition when the batteries have already energy to give.

Luigi

3362. Degen NiMH batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-07 10:45:27 UTC
From: <luigi.candurro@...>
Topic: 3362 Message: 3362

I have tested the Degen 1300 mAh NiMH batteries, sold with the DE1103 receiver, with the Maha-Powerex MH-C9000 analyzer and the break-in program, which is compliant to IEC standards.
All the four batteries show an actual capacity of 1000 - 1020 mAh, well below the 1300 mAh declared.

3363. Re: [de1103] Degen NiMH batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-07 17:23:08 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3362 Message: 3363

1060 mAh
1051
1019
1079

Il 07/10/2013 12:45, luigi.candurro@... ha scritto:
>
> I have tested the Degen 1300 mAh NiMH batteries, sold with the DE1103
> receiver, with the Maha-Powerex MH-C9000 analyzer and the break-in
> program, which is compliant to IEC standards.
>
> All the four batteries show an actual capacity of 1000 - 1020 mAh,
> well below the 1300 mAh declared.
>

3364. Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-18 08:02:43 UTC
From: <ea1abz@...>
Topic: 3364 Message: 3364

Hello

My old batteries were exhausted and I bought a new 4 Ni-MH 2700 mA set. After changing the batteries the receiver was deaf in all bands, MW, SW and FM. I can not hear anything. Volume control works and I can hear a background hiss. The hiss is the same for all modes, FM, MW and SW. SSB button does not work.

I have pressed the RESET buttons several times and still does not work.
I have left the receiver without batteries for 5 hours with no luck.

Thanks.
Ramiro. EA4NZ.

3365. R: [de1103] Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-18 09:10:52 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3365 Message: 3365

Hi

Have you already tried another battery package or the AC adapter?

Luigi

Inviato da Samsung Mobile

-------- Messaggio originale --------
Da: ea1abz@gmail.com
Data:
A: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Oggetto: [de1103] Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

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Thanks.
Ramiro. EA4NZ.

3366. Re: R: [de1103] Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-18 10:27:51 UTC
From: Ramiro Aceves
Topic: 3365 Message: 3366

Thanks.
Batteries are full charged I have checked them with my voltmeter.

Regards
El 18/10/2013 11:11, "Luigi Candurro" <luigi.candurro@...>
escribió:

> **
>
>
> Hi
>
> Have you already tried another battery package or the AC adapter?
>
> Luigi
>
>
> Inviato da Samsung Mobile
>
>
>
> -------- Messaggio originale --------
> Da: ea1abz@...
> Data:
> A: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Oggetto: [de1103] Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new
> batteries
>
>
>
>
> Hello
>
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> After changing the batteries the receiver was deaf in all bands, MW, SW and
> FM. I can not hear anything.
> Volume control works and I can hear a background hiss. The hiss is the
> same for all modes, FM, MW and SW. SSB button does not work.
>
> I have pressed the RESET buttons several times and still does not work.
> I have left the receiver without batteries for 5 hours with no luck.
>
> Thanks.
> Ramiro. EA4NZ.

>
>

3367. Re: [de1103] Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-18 14:14:32 UTC
From: ALUIZIO ANTONIO DOS SANTOS
Topic: 3364 Message: 3367

The same thing happened with my degen 1103.
I removed the battery and left 24 without them.
The next day the radio resumed normal life.
Already running normal over a year.
Try this.

Automatic translation from Portuguese to English by google translator!
----- Original Message -----
From: ea1abz@...
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, October 18, 2013 5:02 AM
Subject: [de1103] Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

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3368. Re: [de1103] Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-18 14:26:54 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 3364 Message: 3368

It's a common issue with the DE1103 that happens this way. I second the suggestion to let it drain the voltage kept by the caps.

Horacio

3371. Re: [de1103] Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-18 20:15:36 UTC
From: Ramiro Aceves
Topic: 3364 Message: 3371

Thank you very much.

I will wait for several hours with the batteries removed. I would like to know which capacitor sould be discharged manually to spead up the process. :-)

Thanks

El 18/10/13 16:26, Horacio Nigro escribi?:
> It's a common issue with the DE1103 that happens this way. I second the
> suggestion to let it drain the voltage kept by the caps.
>
> Horacio
>
>

3372. Re: [de1103] Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-18 14:18:57 UTC
From: Gilles Letourneau
Topic: 3364 Message: 3372

Hello everyone,

I also had a problem similar with my DE1103 .. I left it with no batteries for 1 or 2 days .. and when I put new batteries in it .. it came back to life.

It seems to be sensitive to battery changes

73

Gilles Letourneau
Montreal, Canada
www.youtube.com/officialswlchannel

On Friday, October 18, 2013 10:14 AM, ALUIZIO ANTONIO DOS SANTOS <aluiziosantos@...> wrote:

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them.
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>To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
>Sent: Friday, October 18, 2013 5:02 AM
>Subject: [de1103] Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries
>
>
>Hello
>
>My old batteries were exhausted and I bought a new 4 Ni-MH
2700 mA set. After changing the batteries the receiver was deaf in all bands,
MW, SW and FM. I can not hear anything.
>Volume control works and I can hear
a background hiss. The hiss is the same for all modes, FM, MW and SW. SSB
button does not work.
>
>I have pressed the RESET buttons several times
and still does not work.
>I have left the receiver without batteries for 5
hours with no luck.

>
>Thanks.
>Ramiro. EA4NZ.

3373. Re: [de1103] Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-19 08:23:14 UTC
From: Ramiro Aceves
Topic: 3364 Message: 3373

Oh, after 12 h hours without batteries, I have just placed them and still
doesn't work :-(
I will try for a 24h period....
El 18/10/2013 16:27, "Horacio Nigro" <hanigrodx@...> escribió:

> **
>
>
> It's a common issue with the DE1103 that happens this way. I second the
> suggestion to let it drain the voltage kept by the caps.
>
> Horacio
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3374. Re: [de1103] Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-20 11:07:04 UTC
From: Ramiro Aceves
Topic: 3364 Message: 3374

Thanks, I will leave it for a hole day. I need to have enough patience
to wait !!

73

El 18/10/13 16:18, Gilles Letourneau escribió:
> Hello everyone,
>
> I also had a problem similar with my DE1103 .. I left it with no
> batteries for 1 or 2 days .. and when I put new batteries in it .. it
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> Gilles Letourneau
> Montreal, Canada
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> On Friday, October 18, 2013 10:14 AM, ALUIZIO ANTONIO DOS SANTOS
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> Thanks.
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3375. Re: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-20 17:22:28 UTC
From: Gary Sargent
Topic: 3364 Message: 3375

Like a few other reply's, I've only have the batteries out of my 1103 a few times (I use rechargeables) .. but each time I had to do the reset to bring the radio back to life. I don't recall being patient enogh to just wait an extended time with the batteries out. So I try to not take the batteries out!

Good luck!

KE8WO

3376. Re: [de1103] Re: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-20 18:08:14 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3364 Message: 3376

I'm trying to figure out if the last release of the receiver, which shows some HW changes with respect to the previous releases, has been improved about the battery change issue. I bought the receiver last month, and I have removed and replaced batteries (rechargeable type) several times till now, but I had to use the reset button just 2 or 3 times. No wait for capacitor discharge.
Till now... ;-)

Luigi

Il 20/10/2013 19:22, Gary Sargent ha scritto:
>
> Like a few other reply's, I've only have the batteries out of my 1103
> a few times (I use rechargeables) .. but each time I had to do the
> reset to bring the radio back to life. I don't recall being patient
> enogh to just wait an extended time with the batteries out. So I try
> to not take the batteries out!
>
> Good luck!
>
> KE8WO
>

3377. Re: [de1103] Re: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-21 06:56:58 UTC
From: Ramiro Aceves
Topic: 3364 Message: 3377

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Date: 2013-10-21 09:34:37 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3364 Message: 3378

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3379. Re: [de1103] Re: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-22 06:57:47 UTC
From: Ramiro Aceves
Topic: 3364 Message: 3379

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3380. Re: [de1103] Re: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-22 21:02:36 UTC
From: Ramiro Aceves
Topic: 3364 Message: 3380

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3381. Back to back diods

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-24 16:54:54 UTC
From: <mikem6ymn@...>
Topic: 3381 Message: 3381
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hi all,
Just had this idea.....

I have 4 short wave rados i use with a Zetagi 4 way switch box. Ok it works and all that, but the idea is this.
Antenna IN to a block of back to back diods each set going to a radio of there own.

What type of diods what you think would be the best for this?

Mike M6YMN

3382. RE: Back to back diods

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-25 21:29:30 UTC
From: <martin_cook@...>
Topic: 3381 Message: 3382

What do you expect the diodes to do? If you expect to run all the radios at the same time and isolate one from the other with the diodes - sorry, won't work. You need a splitter.

Cheers - Martin ZL2MC

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3383. Re: [de1103] Back to back diods [1 Attachment]

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-26 00:03:28 UTC
From: The Simpsons
Topic: 3381 Message: 3383

I assume you mean to place the back to back diodes in series with the antenna input connector of each receiver with the antenna itself going to a common connection with each pair of diodes.
You won’t receive anything as the forward voltage drop of the diodes will be a minimum of 200 to 300mV depending on the diode type. So you will need a very strong signal to overcome the forward voltage drop. In other words, it won’t work!
If you do have enough signal level to overcome the forward voltage drop then due to the non linearity of the diodes you will also finish up with very high intermod levels.
Passive splitters will work but of course tou will have loss in the splitter, depending how many ports. A 4 port splitter will have a little more than 6dB loss per port and you need to find splitters with the appropriate frequency coverage.
Grant, ZL2BK

From: mikem6ymn@...
Sent: Friday, October 25, 2013 5:54 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Back to back diods [1 Attachment]

[Attachment(s) from mikem6ymn@gmail.com included below]

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3384. Re: [de1103] RE: Back to back diods

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-26 19:04:41 UTC
From: Mike Lee
Topic: 3381 Message: 3384

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3385. RE: Re: [de1103] RE: Back to back diods

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-27 19:21:17 UTC
From: <martin_cook@...>
Topic: 3381 Message: 3385

Still won't work. Diodes need to have 0.3volts applied to the anode before they conduct.
You need a splitter.

http://www.dxing.info/equipment/rolling_your_own_bryant.dx

Cheers - Martin

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3386. Re: [de1103] RE: Back to back diods

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-27 19:48:23 UTC
From: Mike Lee
Topic: 3381 Message: 3386

Hi Martin, yes I agree with you, I had the circuit all wrong to start of with.
But what sort of splitter would you recommend?
Resistors perhaps?

Mike.

3387. Re: [de1103] Re: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-28 22:36:56 UTC
From: Ramiro Aceves
Topic: 3364 Message: 3387

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3388. Re: [de1103] Re: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-28 22:44:33 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 3364 Message: 3388

So this confirms this is a problem that appears when some amount of current keeps inside the circuit and around the microprocessor. Congratulations for the decision of putting hands inside the plastic shell!

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Uruguay

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3389. Re: [de1103] Re: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-28 22:54:58 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3364 Message: 3389

Hi, Ramiro.

Il 28/10/2013 23:36, Ramiro Aceves ha scritto:
> I measured some voltage at some main microprocessor pin. Something like
> 200 mV. I shorted to GND every microprocesor pin. I shorted to GND
> everything I was able to.
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> I also shorted to GND some pins of the TA2057 in the analog board
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There are some similar weird "tin balls" on the micro board, but I don't
think they are the cause of the malfunction.
Unless one or more of them are bad solder joints, and are related to
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3390. Re: [de1103] Re: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-29 07:51:14 UTC
From: Ramiro Aceves
Topic: 3364 Message: 3390

Yes, I attached the picture for you just to see the quality of the soldering.

I cross my fingers, hope my dear and beloved receiver will work for years.

Many thanks to all
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Date: 2013-10-29 07:52:50 UTC
From: Ramiro Aceves
Topic: 3364 Message: 3391

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3392. RE: Re: [de1103] Re: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-29 08:48:10 UTC
From: <dovalep@...>
Topic: 3364 Message: 3392

Hello Ramiro,
Mine DE1103 worked perfectly from the first day (purchased on 2005 from eBay NIB) until now - pure luck .
Here you can see some mods :
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3393. RE: Re: [de1103] Re: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

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Date: 2013-10-30 03:29:58 UTC
From: <greenbrier614@...>
Topic: 3364 Message: 3393

Ramiro,

Excellent detective work. I'll try this on my G5 or G3 if they ever become unresponsive.

Btw, did you notice the horizontal crack in the processor board just above the crystal in picture 3? It nearly cuts through the ground foil.

http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-03.jpg http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-03.jpg

There's a vertical scratch where it looks like it took a hit. Great QC at Degen.

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3394. R: RE: Re: [de1103] Re: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-30 07:27:54 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3394 Message: 3394

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-------- Messaggio originale --------
Da: greenbrier614@yahoo.com
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Oggetto: RE: Re: [de1103] Re: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

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http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-05.jpg
http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen.mp4

Thanks to all.

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EA4NZ

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3395. RE: Re: [de1103] Re: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-30 07:47:51 UTC
From: Ramiro Aceves
Topic: 3364 Message: 3395

Oh, no, sorry for the picture. It is a photo illusion. It is actually a drop of glue. The light refraction on the edge of the drop causes a false illusion that the board is broken, but is not. I think...

Thanks.
Ramiro
EA4NZ
El 30/10/2013 04:30, <greenbrier614@...> escribió:

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-30 07:48:51 UTC
From: Ramiro Aceves
Topic: 3394 Message: 3396

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escribió:

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3397. RE: Re: [de1103] Re: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-30 07:50:34 UTC
From: Ramiro Aceves
Topic: 3364 Message: 3397

Thanks for the mods. Beautiful display!
El 29/10/2013 09:48, <dovalep@yahoo.com> escribió:

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> ---In de1103@yahoogroups.com, <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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> Yes, voltages inside the processor seem hard to remove by itself. It is
> better with some external help! :-)
> El 28/10/2013 23:44, "Horacio Nigro" <hanigrodx@...> escribió:
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3398. Re: R: RE: Re: [de1103] Re: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-30 08:56:01 UTC
From: <special@...>
Topic: 3394 Message: 3398

Hi.

Both the large horizontal ‘crack’ and the vertical ‘scratch’ on the pcb are simply glue deposits.
I looked at the image with an enhancement package and you can clearly see the vertical refraction of the track caused by the glue going across the track beneath.

Overall though the QA on the post-production of the pcb is abysmal!

Slim H

3399. Re: [de1103] ribbon cable replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-30 16:55:27 UTC
From: Ramiro Aceves
Topic: 3345 Message: 3399

That would be a good thing, to find a longer ribon cable in order to be able to play with the receiver with the two halfs opened.

2013/8/14 Roberto <MARINELLUCCIA1@...>

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3400. Re: [de1103] ribbon cable replacement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-30 16:56:04 UTC
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Topic: 3345 Message: 3400

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3401. RE: RE: Re: [de1103] Re: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-10-31 13:35:15 UTC
From: <greenbrier614@...>
Topic: 3364 Message: 3401

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3402. RE: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-11-01 21:36:29 UTC
From: <kb8dns@...>
Topic: 3364 Message: 3402

Nice photos and nice fix for the "lock up" fault!

Looking at the photos I see the same over burden of solder flux and dust as there is with my Degen and Gundig G3, kind of a sloppy way to treat a radio and points to cheap assembly and poor quality control.
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From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 3364 Message: 3403

I would consider of benefit for users to put a How-to, guided tour re. the problem and fix for this issue... Maybe the author would like to write something describing this common problem, or maybe it's just enough to find the message/thread... I don't now... take it as a suggestion.

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3404. Degen DE1103: LW band sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-11-02 09:41:45 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3404 Message: 3404

Hi all,

I've done a comparison test between the Degen and another low cost receiver, bought at a Lidl store.

The test was simple and qualitative, I haven't the proper instrumentation to perform quantitative tests.

In the MW band the DE1103 is more sensitive and selective than the Lidl receiver. The number of broadcast stations received and their signal quality is better with the Degen.

In the LW band I got opposite results: the few stations received had cleaner signal with the Lidl receiver.

All tests have been performed with the internal receiver antenna.

I suspect a low sensitivity of the Degen receiver at lower frequencies, lower than 500 kHz.

Has anyone done similar tests?

Regards

Luigi

Inviato da Samsung Mobile

3405. unsubscribe me

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-11-02 12:46:28 UTC
From: Skywarn PB6027
Topic: 3405 Message: 3405

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3406. Re: [de1103] unsubscribe me

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-11-02 13:03:28 UTC
From: <special@...>
Topic: 3405 Message: 3406

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From: Skywarn PB6027
Sent: Saturday, November 02, 2013 12:46 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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3407. RE: [de1103] Degen DE1103: LW band sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-11-02 15:22:46 UTC
From: Imo -
Topic: 3404 Message: 3407

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3408. Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103: LW band sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-11-02 15:33:06 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3404 Message: 3408

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3409. R: Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103: LW band sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-11-02 16:10:40 UTC
From: nebulare
Topic: 3409 Message: 3409

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Da: Luigi Candurro <luigi.candurro@fastwebnet.it>
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Date: 2013-11-02 16:20:27 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3409 Message: 3410

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From: nebulare
Topic: 3411 Message: 3411

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Topic: 3411 Message: 3412

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-11-02 18:58:23 UTC
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Topic: 3413 Message: 3413

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Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-11-02 19:09:00 UTC
From: <greenbrier614@...>
Topic: 3364 Message: 3414

That's an interesting question. Do you know of anything that will safely remove the flux and residue?

The QC issues go beyond dirty PC boards and poor solder joints, tho. One of the G5's I tried at Radio Shack about 5 years ago had broken ferrite antenna wires hanging out from between the case halves, and I later discovered the one I kept had one lead pulled out of the filter capacitor on the DC input. I replaced the cap, of course, but geez.

Nelson

---In de1103@yahoogroups.com, <kb8dns@...> wrote:

Nice photos and nice fix for the "lock up" fault!

Looking at the photos I see the same over burden of solder flux and dust as there is with my Degen and Gundig G3, kind of a sloppy way to treat a radio and points to cheap assembly and poor quality control.
I am wondering if the stuff was cleaned up, there would be no "crosstalk" with the CPU signals?

73 Rod KB8DNS

3415. Re: R: Re: R: Re: R: Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103: LW band sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-11-02 19:10:24 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3413 Message: 3415

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>>> -------- Messaggio originale --------
>>> Da: Luigi Candurro <luigi.candurro@...>
>>> Data: 02/11/2013 16:33 (GMT+01:00)
>>> A: de1103@yahoogroups.com
>>> Oggetto: Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103: LW band sensitivity
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>>>
>>> Ciao Imo, scrivo in Inglese così ci capiscono tutti.
>>>
>>> Hi Imo,
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>>> unfortunately I can receive only two o three stations in LW where I
>>> live, and all very faint. I live in downtown, so much EM noise
>>> prevent me from having a better radio receptions in AM, expecially
>>> in LW and MW.
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>>> I will try in a better place as soon as I can.
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>>> Luigi
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>>> Il 02/11/2013 16:22, Imo - ha scritto:
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>>>> Luigi nella mia radio non noto calo di sensibilita nelle LW. Sotto
>>>> i 500 khz sento molte stazioni ma non ho fatto confronti.
>>>> Imo
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>>>> ---
>>>> To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
>>>> From: luigi.candurro@...
>>>> Date: Sat, 2 Nov 2013 10:41:45 +0100
>>>> Subject: [de1103] Degen DE1103: LW band sensitivity
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>>>> All tests have been performed with the internal receiver antenna.
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>>>> I suspect a low sensitivity of the Degen receiver at lower
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>>>> Has anyone done similar tests?

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>>>> Regards
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>>>> Luigi
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3416. Re: [de1103] unsubscribe me

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-11-02 20:08:52 UTC
From: Skywarn PB6027
Topic: 3405 Message: 3416

I cant do it my link does not work to outlook express.

Paul
----- Original Message -----
From: special@...
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, November 02, 2013 9:03 AM
Subject: Re: [de1103] unsubscribe me

Simply click the unsubscribe button at the bottom of the emails!
It’s that easy!

From: Skywarn PB6027
Sent: Saturday, November 02, 2013 12:46 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] unsubscribe me

3417. Re: [de1103] unsubscribe me

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-11-02 20:11:50 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 3405 Message: 3417

There is s link below for that purpose.
El nov 2, 2013 10:46 AM, "Skywarn PB6027" <wxwatch@...> escribió:

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3418. Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103: LW band sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-11-03 09:47:40 UTC
From: Tudor Vedeanu
Topic: 3404 Message: 3418

All Chinese radios I have (including the DE1103) have poor sensitivity on the LW band. They don't care much about good performance in a band which is used only in a few countries, most of them in Europe.

The best LW radios I have are the Sony's (2010 and 7600GR), the Eton E1, and a couple of older radios made in the USSR and Poland (Selena, Unitra).

Regards,
Tudor

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> Regards
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> Luigi

3419. R: Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103: LW band sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-11-03 11:26:11 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3409 Message: 3419

Thanks, Tudor. This confirms my suspicions.

However I did a test yesterday, reception in open air. Although I was not in a clean EM environment, the results have been much better, even in LW.

Luigi

Inviato da Samsung Mobile

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Da: Tudor Vedeanu <tmvedeanu@gmail.com>
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> Regards
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3420. Re: [de1103] unsubscribe me

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-11-03 12:05:14 UTC
From: <special@...>
Topic: 3405 Message: 3420

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From: Skywarn PB6027
Sent: Saturday, November 02, 2013 8:08 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] unsubscribe me

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Paul

3421. Re: [de1103] unsubscribe me

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-11-03 16:48:06 UTC
From: Partha Sarathi Goswami
Topic: 3405 Message: 3421

Send a blank e-mail to

de1103-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com

With subject just as "Unsubscribe"

from your subscribed mail ID - it's that simple :)

----- Original Message -----
From: special@...
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, November 03, 2013 5:35 PM
Subject: Re: [de1103] unsubscribe me

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Paul

3422. RE: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-11-04 06:27:04 UTC
From: <kb8dns@...>
Topic: 3364 Message: 3422

I use a 70% or 90% rubbing alcohol to remove the flux.... The flux if left on the board can cause corrosion and introduce moisture along with dust and maybe life forms.

73 Rod KB8DNS

---In de1103@yahoogroups.com, <greenbrier614@...> wrote:

That's an interesting question. Do you know of anything that will safely remove the flux and residue?

The QC issues go beyond dirty PC boards and poor solder joints, tho. One of the G5's I tried at Radio Shack about 5 years ago had broken ferrite antenna wires hanging out from between the case halves, and I later discovered the one I kept had one lead pulled out of the filter capacitor on the DC input. I replaced the cap, of course, but geez.

Nelson

---In de1103@yahoogroups.com, <kb8dns@...> wrote:

Nice photos and nice fix for the "lock up" fault!

Looking at the photos I see the same over burden of solder flux and dust as there is with my Degen and Gundig G3, kind of a sloppy way to treat a radio and points to cheap assembly and poor quality control.
I am wondering if the stuff was cleaned up, there would be no "crosstalk" with the CPU signals?

73 Rod KB8DNS

3423. Re: [de1103] RE: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-11-08 22:17:28 UTC
From: Ramiro Aceves
Topic: 3364 Message: 3423

El 04/11/13 07:27, kb8dns@... escribió:
> I use a 70% or 90% rubbing alcohol to remove the flux.... The flux
> if left on the board can cause corrosion and introduce moisture along
> with dust and maybe life forms.

Interesting. Thanks.

Ramiro.
EA4NZ

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> 73 Rod KB8DNS
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3424. Re: [de1103] RE: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-11-08 22:19:38 UTC
From: Ramiro Aceves
Topic: 3364 Message: 3424

El 01/11/13 22:36, kb8dns@... escribió:
> Nice photos and nice fix for the "lock up" fault!

Thanks. I would like to test the "repair procedure" in another receiver
to see if if works. At least it worked here. My Degen is working fine !

73, Ramiro. EA4NZ.

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> Looking at the photos I see the same over burden of solder flux and
> dust as there is with my Degen and Gundig G3, kind of a sloppy way to
> treat a radio and points to cheap assembly and poor quality control.
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> "crosstalk" with the CPU signals?
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> 73 Rod KB8DNS
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> ---In de1103@yahoogroups.com, <greenbrier614@...> wrote:
>
> Sorry for the false start, Ramiro, but it quite an optical illusion.
> Given what I've found in some of their radios, it wouldn't have
> surprised me.
>
>
> Nelson
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> ---In de1103@yahoogroups.com, <ea1abz@...> wrote:
>
> Oh, no, sorry for the picture. It is a photo illusion. It is actually a
> drop of glue. The light refraction on the edge of the drop causes a
> false illusion that the board is broken, but is not. I think...
>
> Thanks.
> Ramiro
> EA4NZ
>
> El 30/10/2013 04:30, <greenbrier614@... <mailto:greenbrier614@...>>

> escribió:
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> --
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> Ramiro,
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>
> Excellent detective work. I'll try this on my G5 or G3 if
> they ever become unresponsive.
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>
> Btw, did you notice the horizontal crack in the processor
> board just above the crystal in picture 3? It nearly cuts
> through the ground foil.
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>
> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-03.jpg
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>
> There's a vertical scratch where it looks like it took a
> hit. Great QC at Degen.
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> Nelson
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> ---In de1103@yahoogroups.com
> <mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com>, <ea1abz@...> wrote:
>
> Hello!
>
> I left my Degen 1103 for 5 days without batteries. It did
> not work. I
> was about leaving it for 1 month resting period. I could not
> wait....
>
> Tired of blind testing, I opened the receiver. Removed the
> dial cables,
> the ribon cable and desoldered the speaker cable. Removed the
> microprocessor board shield.
>
> I measured some voltage at some main microprocessor pin.
> Something like
> 200 mV. I shorted to GND every microprocesor pin. I shorted
> to GND
> everything I was able to.
>

> I also shorted to GND some pins of the TA2057 in the analog
> board
> (probably of no interest).
>
> I assembled the receiver again.
>
> The receiver has come to life again!
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>
> You can see pictures at:
>
> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-01.jpg
> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-02.jpg
> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-03.jpg
> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-04.jpg
> (horrible diode soldering)
> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-05.jpg
> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen.mp4
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> Thanks to all.
>
> Ramiro.
> EA4NZ
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> El 22/10/13 23:02, Ramiro Aceves escribió:
>
> > I also did all sort of reset combinations, with
> batteries, without
> > batteries, with the AC charger, without it...
> >
> > I will try again on the week end. My degen is resting now without
> > batteries....
> >
> > El 22/10/2013 08:57, "Ramiro Aceves" <ea1abz@... <mailto:ea1abz@...>
> > <mailto:ea1abz@... <mailto:ea1abz@...>>> escribió:
> >
> > Thanks to all for your hints and tips.
> > I tried after a 28 h resting and still do not work. I am going to
> > wait till the week end....
> >
> > El 21/10/2013 11:35, "Martin" <kb0hae@... <mailto:kb0hae@...>
> > <mailto:kb0hae@... <mailto:kb0hae@...>>> escribió:
> >
> > Hi. I would try a reset several times both with and without the
> > batteries. And if it does start working, plug it in with the
> > wall wart

> > when changing batteries! I use NiMH batteries and charge them
> > in the
> > radio.
> >
> > A friend had a G5 that worked fine. He was taking the batteries
> > out and
> > charging them without plugging the wall wart into the radio
> > first. He
> > is blind, so can't see to charge batteries in the radio. After one
> > battery charge, when he put the batteries in, the radio would
> > work on
> > SW, but not on FM. No matter what we tried, the radio got
> > progressively
> > worse. Now it might or might not start working after being on
> > for 10-15
> > minutes. It lights but no frequency display, and no audio, not
> > even a
> > slight hiss. It is now in a closet here as a parts radio as the
> > case,
> > antenna, etc are good.
> >
> > I believe that this could have been avoided if he had plugged in the
> > radio before taking out the batteries, and left it plugged in
> > until the
> > batteries were charged and back in the radio. Some of the
> > Kaito/Degen
> > 1103 and E5/G5 radios seem to be sensitive to some sort of power
> > surge
> > when batteries are removed and new or freshly charged batteries are
> > inserted.
> >
> > TTYL
> >
> > On 10/21/2013 01:56 AM, Ramiro Aceves wrote:
> > > Interesting. I bought mine 2 years ago.
> > >
> > > This loooong waiting procedure is horrible. Each time you
> > fail you must
> > > start again. If you are not patient enough it is a nightmare.
> > > The problem is that I do not know if I must wait for 1 day or
> > 5! :-)
> > >
> > > I do not know if my dear receiver has died for ever.
> > >
> > > 73, Ramiro.
> > > EA4NZ
> > > El 20/10/2013 20:08, "Luigi
> > Candurro"<luigi.candurro@... <mailto:luigi.candurro@...>
> > <mailto:luigi.candurro@... <mailto:luigi.candurro@...>>>
> > > escribió:

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> > >> **
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> > >>
> > >> I'm trying to figure out if the last release of the
> > receiver, which shows
> > >> some HW changes with respect to the previous releases, has
> > been improved
> > >> about the battery change issue. I bought the receiver last
> > month, and I
> > >> have removed and replaced batteries (rechargeable type)
> > several times till
> > >> now, but I had to use the reset button just 2 or 3 times.
> > >> No wait for capacitor discharge.
> > >> Till now... ;-)
> > >>
> > >> Luigi
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> > >> Il 20/10/2013 19:22, Gary Sargent ha scritto:
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> > >>
> > >> Like a few other reply’s, I’ve only have the batteries out
> > of my 1103 a
> > >> few times (I use rechargeables) .. but each time I had to do
> > the reset to
> > >> bring the radio back to life. I don’t recall being patient
> > enogh to just
> > >> wait an extended time with the batteries out. So I try to
> > not take the
> > >> batteries out!****
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> > >> ** **
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> > >> Good luck!****
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> > >> KE8WO****
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> > "Those who would give up Essential Liberty to purchase a little
> > Temporary Safety, deserve neither Liberty nor Safety." Benjamin
> > Franklin (1818). Best privacy policy: Never Ever entrust your
> > data to
> > anyone but yourself!!!
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3425. Charging batteries not working.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-12-14 07:17:50 UTC
From: Pete
Topic: 3425 Message: 3425

For over a year i have used a set of 4 no-name brand 2300mAh NiMH cells and my KA1103 happily allowed me recharge them (switch off, hold VOL and turn tuning/vol knob to set the charge time to 23hrs.

Recently the batteries just would not charge so i assumed they were faulty after so many recharges and bought some new Sanyo "eneloop" NiMH 1900mAh. These are supplied fully charged and it has taken quite a few hours to discharge them enough to the point the KA1103 keeps switching off maning they must be recharged.

Problem is that if i power off the KA1103, plug in power adapter, press and hold VOL and turn the Tuning/Vol knob no longer is the count for number of charge hours shown. The radio is dumb. Even if i try pressing the number buttons and then the VOL button no charging starts...

I have tried RESET, set the TIME and still no charging is possible.

Has anyone seen this happen too and is there a fix? Any help appreciated.

3426. Re: [de1103] Charging batteries not working.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-12-14 11:35:02 UTC
From: <special@...>
Topic: 3425 Message: 3426

Have a look through the archives I’m sure charging problems have appeared recently.

Dale H

From: Pete
Sent: Saturday, December 14, 2013 7:17 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Charging batteries not working.

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3427. Re: [de1103] Charging batteries not working.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-12-14 15:24:58 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3425 Message: 3427

Il 14/12/2013 08:17, Pete ha scritto:
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Series charging, time-controlled and at a very low rate is the worst way
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It can easily cause battery charge unbalance, undercharging or
overcharging condition.
Much better to charge batteries with a good external charger.

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> faulty after so many recharges and bought some new Sanyo "eneloop"
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Great choice!

> These are supplied fully charged and it has taken quite a few hours to
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> maning they must be recharged.
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How many hours?

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> pressing the number buttons and then the VOL button no charging starts...
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> I have tried RESET, set the TIME and still no charging is possible.
>
If you fill a set of fully charged batteries in the receiver, does it
work properly?

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3428. Re: Charging batteries not working.

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-12-15 08:37:31 UTC
From: Pete
Topic: 3425 Message: 3428

Thanks for the replies folks....

Agreed, i should charge in a proper charger unit but it's just so much more convenient in the KA1103's "downtime" to have it do it's magic and do the charging process.

The brandnew out of the packet eneloop cells gave me a whole week of rough-guess 10hrs duration run at low volume on FM before the receiver started to do it's auto-switch off and flash the battery symbol.

I have since loaded some standard non-rechargeable alkalines and the radio is working fine at switch-on as a receiver. The same if i plug in the adapter.

Now with my discharged eneloop NiMH cells installed the KA1103 shows the discharged state on it's bar graph and the battery symbol.

Maybe the charging section on my KA1103 is broken...

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3429. RE: R: Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103: LW band sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-12-27 03:12:16 UTC
From: <llanberg@...>
Topic: 3409 Message: 3429

Glad to see some others enjoy longwave. When I found out that the KA1103 can tune down to 0 kHz and it's small internal loopstick is disconnected, I ordered one. Which I'm currently waiting on. (And I joined this group). Anyway, more on topic: the $79 Radio Shack 20-629 (a reissue of the former DX-402, a.k.a. Sangean ATS-505) is pretty good on longwave. At least compared to other portables. I can get several beacons just by turning the radio on and tuning in. No inductive coupling. But the drawback is it's the LW band is restricted to 153 kHz- 279 kHz.

Also, like the KA1103 the good old Radio Shack DX-394 can be tricked into tuning down to 0 kHz. In fact that was the first radio I received the 60 kHz WWVB time signal on.

Happy New Year, all.

Larry

3430. Re: R: Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103: LW band sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-12-28 15:43:15 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3409 Message: 3430

Il 27/12/2013 04:12, llanberg@... ha scritto:
> Also, like the KA1103 the good old Radio Shack DX-394 can be tricked
> into tuning down to 0 kHz. In fact that was the first radio I received
> the 60 kHz WWVB time signal on.

Hi Larry,

did you receive the time signal with the receiver internal antenna or an
external one?
What kind of antenna did you use? Loop?

Luigi

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3431. FM band off frequency

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-12-28 19:52:53 UTC
From: <grant@...>
Topic: 3431 Message: 3431

My receiver appears to be off frequency on the FM band. I need to set the displayed frequency 1 or 2 steps lower then the actual frequency for best results. If wanting to receive 100MHz for example, the received audio is best when set to 99.5MHz or 99.7MHz. Is there an adjustment to correct this? Could be the synthesizer frequency reference or maybe the FM detector tuning.

3432. Re: R: Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103: LW band sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-12-28 22:17:26 UTC
From: <llanberg@...>
Topic: 3409 Message: 3432

On the DX-394? I used a small homemade loopstick and ran it into a small LF preampflier, then into the antenna jack. I just got my KA1103 today. I'm about to do the same thing on it.

Larry

3433. Re: R: Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103: LW band sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-12-28 23:31:29 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3409 Message: 3433

Il 28/12/2013 23:17, llanberg@... ha scritto:
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> On the DX-394? I used a small homemade loopstick and ran it into a
> small LF preampflier, then into the antenna jack. I just got my KA1103
> today. I'm about to do the same thing on it.
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Are the loopstick and the LF preamplifier commercial or homemade? In the
last case, is the design documentation public domain?

Luigi

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3434. Re: R: Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103: LW band sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-12-29 06:38:03 UTC
From: <llanberg@...>
Topic: 3409 Message: 3434

Hi Luigi, first: I see what you mean about the KA1103 being deaf on longwave. You weren't exaggerating.

Loopsticks I wind my own, and very simply. No Litz wire or anything fancy. I have huge ferrite rods that I bought from here (see section "Monster Rods"): www.stormwise.com http://www.stormwise.com

On that same website, once you look hard enough, you'll find schematics for simple, single-transistor LF preamplifiers. I build mine on plug-in protoype boards, no soldering. However, if you want a high quality LF preamplifier, a place called LF Engineering sells those: https://www.lfengineering.com/products.cfm#Components https://www.lfengineering.com/products.cfm#Components

Otherwise I really like the KA1103. I especially like the attenuator. Unlike the Tecsun radios the Katio attenuator doesn't 'kill' the signal entirely. It merely shaves off excess noise. I like it.

Larry

3435. Re: R: Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103: LW band sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-12-30 16:12:27 UTC
From: <llanberg@...>
Topic: 3409 Message: 3435

I discovered last night something simple which greatly boosts VLF/LF reception on the KA1103. When using the supplied external wire for an antenna (passive, no preamplifier) on the low frequencies I noticed that I could receive beacons when my left thumb was on the speaker grill. When I removed my thumb from the grill the radio went back to being deaf. That told me that the radio needed a ground.

So, I 'grounded' my KA1103 to the electrical ground of my apartment. VLF/LF reception substantially increased. Like 100x. I was able to receive the 24 kHz U.S. Naval station NAA. Not very good, but considering the radio doesn't have the circuitry for VLF I thought that was an achievement. I could hear the 60 kHz time signal and then upwards of 200 kHz the NDB's started coming in real good.

For the radio's ground point I used the ground sleeve of the Line Out jack. The wire antenna never left my apartment, it was around my window.

Using the electrical ground is dangerous unless you're absolutely sure your home is wired right. In my case it made a huge difference.

Larry

3436. Re: R: Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103: LW band sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-12-30 18:17:12 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3409 Message: 3436

Il 30/12/2013 17:12, llanberg@... ha scritto:
> I discovered last night something simple which greatly boosts VLF/LF
> reception on the KA1103. When using the supplied external wire for an
> antenna (passive, no preamplifier) on the low frequencies I noticed
> that I could receive beacons when my left thumb was on the speaker
> grill. When I removed my thumb from the grill the radio went back to
> being deaf. That told me that the radio needed a ground.
I have just checked it and I got the same result. A good ground
connection is often as important as a good antenna for a receiver.

> So, I 'grounded' my KA1103 to the electrical ground of my apartment.
> VLF/LF reception substantially increased. Like 100x. I was able to
> receive the 24 kHz U.S. Naval station NAA. Not very good, but
> considering the radio doesn't have the circuitry for VLF I thought
> that was an achievement. I could hear the 60 kHz time signal and then
> upwards of 200 kHz the NDB's started coming in real good.
As a first test I connected the Degen ground to the metal frame of my
table lamp, which is connected to the house earth conductor. The
receiver was on and already connected to the long wire antenna, so I
could immediately note the improved reception sensitivity. Unfortunately
this place is a very noisy EM environment, so I couldn't receive
anything but electrical noise at VLF and LF frequencies.

> For the radio's ground point I used the ground sleeve of the Line Out
> jack.
The same choice I did.

Well done, Larry!

Luigi

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3437. RE: R: Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103: LW band sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-12-30 21:37:22 UTC
From: <llanberg@...>
Topic: 3409 Message: 3437

Hi Luigi, I too am in a high RFI environment. That's why I only use battery power. If I used the power adapter I'd get a loud buzzing noise on the low frequencies. The next thing to do is to get a high value inductor (over 1000 uH) and put that in line with the antenna wire. That should increase the results.

For some reason my KA1103 wouldn't take the LF preamplifier. Must be something in the circuitry behind the radio's antenna jack that cancels it out. Reception was totally dead when I plugged the preamplifier in. That's why I started experimenting with simple passive things.

I'm glad the KA1103 can at least tune down that far. Most radios can't.

Larry

3438. Re: R: Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103: LW band sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2013-12-31 13:42:39 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3409 Message: 3438

Il 30/12/2013 22:37, llanberg@... ha scritto:
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> Hi Luigi, I too am in a high RFI environment. That's why I only use
> battery power. If I used the power adapter I'd get a loud buzzing
> noise on the low frequencies.
>
I use only battery power, too; nevertheless I receive just electrical
noise inside my house on LW and MW.
In order to receive useful signals I have to stay out of my balcony,
like Juliet :-)

> The next thing to do is to get a high value inductor (over 1000 uH)
> and put that in line with the antenna wire. That should increase
> the results.
>
I have already tested a winding on ferroxcube (inductance above 1 mH)
with parallel resonance capacitor (77.5 kHz to try tuning the DCF77 time
signal), connected to the antenna input of the receiver, but with poor
results.
Perhaps I should connect earth to the receiver ground.

> For some reason my KA1103 wouldn't take the LF preamplifier. Must be
> something in the circuitry behind the radio's antenna jack that
> cancels it out. Reception was totally dead when I plugged the
> preamplifier in. That's why I started experimenting with simple
> passive things.
>
I have had frustrating experience with LF preamplifiers, too. The last
version of the DE1103 has two diodes as protection against ESD; moreover
some other limiting circuits may be present.

Luigi

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3439. Re: R: Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103: LW band sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-01-04 18:25:16 UTC
From: <llanberg@...>
Topic: 3409 Message: 3439

I decided to try my KA1103 on the included power adapter. I was pleasantly surprised -- no major noise to speak of, on longwave. A slight crackling sound in the background, that's about it. As long as I had the radio grounded I was fine. It seemed like the sensitivity was just a touch higher too, with the adapter. Most radios I've had couldn't be used on adapter power, period, because of overwhelming noise.

As far as in house electrical noise I learned to not only unplug my computer, but also disconnect my digital cable TV box. That puts out alot of RFI, yet I never see it mentioned in articles about interference.

Larry

3440. Re: R: Re: [de1103] Degen DE1103: LW band sensitivity

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-01-04 18:52:23 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3409 Message: 3440

Il 04/01/2014 19:25, llanberg@... ha scritto:
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> pleasantly surprised -- no major noise to speak of, on longwave. A
> slight crackling sound in the background, that's about it. As long as
> I had the radio grounded I was fine. It seemed like the sensitivity
> was just a touch higher too, with the adapter. Most radios I've had
> couldn't be used on adapter power, period, because of overwhelming noise.
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That's interesting, however I'm a bit reluctant to use the ac adapter
connector: I had to trim its contacts because I found battery exclusion
contact always open. This led the battery current to flow across a diode
inside the receiver circuit, so the battery low threshold was too high.

> As far as in house electrical noise I learned to not only unplug my
> computer, but also disconnect my digital cable TV box. That puts out
> alot of RFI, yet I never see it mentioned in articles about interference.
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I have no cable TV here but I have a SAT top box instead. I'll try to
disconnect its power cable.

Luigi

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3441. Static damage

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-03-05 14:23:49 UTC
From: <mikem6ymn@...>
Topic: 3441 Message: 3441

Hi every one,
I had a static charge from some place?
Any way, the Q1 has been damaged and needs to be replaced.
I have an MPF102 transistor, but can I use that?
And also I need the pin out for the original Q1 transistor so I can do a replacement.

Can any one help please?

TIA,

Mike.

3442. RE: Static damage

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-03-05 18:17:08 UTC
From: <gx4aaw@...>
Topic: 3441 Message: 3442

Hello Mike

I would have thought an MPF102 would be ok.
Can't help you with the pin-outs of the original, but after you've cut the old one out, just check the DC resistance at the relevant circuit points with respect to -ve.
From the circuit in the group files section,
Gate - 100k
Source - 100 ohms
Drain - don't know!
Could be worth replacing the diode in its vicinity (D3).
A 1N4148 should be ok.

Good luck
Regards
Pete

3443. DE1103 or Tecsun PL880

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-11 19:04:19 UTC
From: hansstm@...
Topic: 3443 Message: 3443

Hi all..

At this moment I have a Sangean ATS 909X, not badm but I think about buying a new receiver. And I wonder if I shall buy a DE1103 or a Tecsun PL880

Are there members who have experience with both receivers?

Hans

3444. Re: [de1103] DE1103 or Tecsun PL880

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-11 22:15:26 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 3443 Message: 3444

Hi

Before you make a decision check out the Tecsun PL660
http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/9935

Judging by comments here the PL880 is not as good as the PL660
http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/11457

As regards the DE1103, you won't go far wrong with one of them, they're
a really good radio.

Paul

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: [de1103] DE1103 or Tecsun PL880
From: hansstm@... [de1103] <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Date: 12/06/2014 7:04 a.m.

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3445. Re:Re: [de1103] DE1103 or Tecsun PL880

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-12 08:38:03 UTC
From: hansstm@...
Topic: 3443 Message: 3445

Thanks for the remarks and yes i have heard that the 660 is better in some aspects. The degen is a fine receiver too. So it will be not easy. Also the alinco dx r8t is an option too
Hans

Oorspronkelijk bericht:

Van: Paul format3nz@xtra.co.nz [de1103]
Datum: 11-06-2014 22:15
Aan: de1103@yahoogroups.com
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3446. Re: [de1103] DE1103 or Tecsun PL880

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-12 11:48:51 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 3443 Message: 3446

I guess it comes down to what you want to do with the radio, for hams I would go with the PL660, according to the reviews I read SSB on the PL880 is not the best. SSB on the DE1103 does work OK.

A major plus with the PL660 is the synchronous detection which can cut through adjacent channel interference.

Paul

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3447. Re:Re: [de1103] DE1103 or Tecsun PL880

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-12 14:03:56 UTC
From: hansstm@...
Topic: 3443 Message: 3447

Hi, thanks for the mail and your point of view. What about the alinco dx rt8. Any experience?

Hans

Oorspronkelijk bericht:

Van: Paul format3nz@xtra.co.nz [de1103]
Datum: 12-06-2014 11:48
Aan: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Onderwerp: Re: [de1103] DE1103 or Tecsun PL880

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3448. Re: [de1103] DE1103 or Tecsun PL880

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-12 12:20:11 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 3443 Message: 3448

Hi

Sorry no.

Paul

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Re: [de1103] DE1103 or Tecsun PL880
From: hansstm@... [de1103] <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
To: Paul format3nz@... [de1103] <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
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3449. Re: DE1103 or Tecsun PL880

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-13 11:56:26 UTC
From: Julian Hardstone
Topic: 3443 Message: 3449

If FM dx is a priority the PL660 will score over the DE1103: without a filter modification the 1103 has far too wide bandwidth for dxing, while the 660 is DSP; also the PL660 covers from 65 MHz - relevant if you are in Europe and want OIRT rx.
If HF dx is more important I'd stick with the 1103

- Julian

3450. Re:[de1103] Re: DE1103 or Tecsun PL880

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-14 05:50:53 UTC
From: hansstm@...
Topic: 3443 Message: 3450

looking for an address
where they buy new Degen 1103 receivers..

Oorspronkelijk bericht:

Van: 'Julian Hardstone' julian@rosestone.me.uk [de1103]
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3451. Re: [de1103] Re: DE1103 or Tecsun PL880

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-14 06:49:40 UTC
From: robert gorsch
Topic: 3443 Message: 3451

I don't understand your request. Do you want to know where to buy a 1103 receiver? If so, go to EBay and search for DE 1103 and KA 1103. Same radio. You will find Chinese firms able to sell this radio at a good price. Keep in mind that this is essentially the same radio as the Eton E5 and the Grundig G5. If you find one of these look no further.

On Friday, June 13, 2014 8:51 PM, "hansstm@... [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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If HF dx is more important I'd stick with the 1103

- Julian

3452. Re: [de1103] Re: DE1103 or Tecsun PL880

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-14 10:44:21 UTC
From: miike mc manus
Topic: 3443 Message: 3452

On 6/14/2014 2:49 AM, robert gorsch rgorsch@... [de1103] wrote:
> I don't understand your request. Do you want to know where to buy a
> 1103 receiver? If so, go to EBay and search for DE 1103 and KA 1103.
> Same radio. You will find Chinese firms able to sell this radio at a
> good price. Keep in mind that this is essentially the same radio as
> the Eton E5 and the Grundig G5. If you find one of these look no
> further.
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>
> On Friday, June 13, 2014 8:51 PM, "hansstm@... [de1103]"
> <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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>
> looking for an address
> where they buy new Degen 1103 receivers..
> ---
> Oorspronkelijk bericht:
>
> Van: 'Julian Hardstone' julian@... [de1103]
> Datum: 13-06-2014 11:56
> Aan: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Onderwerp: [de1103] Re: DE1103 or Tecsun PL880
> If FM dx is a priority the PL660 will score over the DE1103: without a
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> modification the 1103 has far too wide bandwidth for dxing, while the
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> DSP; also the PL660 covers from 65 MHz - relevant if you are in Europe
> and want
> OIRT rx.
> If HF dx is more important I'd stick with the 1103
>
> - Julian
>
>
>
>
Hi
The Grundig G5 or Eton E 5 are harder to find. The Degen or Kaito
1103 are great radios for the price.

Mike

3453. Re: [de1103] Re: DE1103 or Tecsun PL880

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-14 13:30:58 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3443 Message: 3453

Hi Hans,

I bought the Degen receiver at sunslf <http://www.ebay.it/usr/sunslf>
(eBay) last year.

Regards

Luigi

Il 14/06/2014 07:50, hansstm@... [de1103] ha scritto:
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> ---
> Oorspronkelijk bericht:
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> Van: 'Julian Hardstone' julian@... [de1103]
> Datum: 13-06-2014 11:56
> Aan: de1103@yahoogroups.com
> Onderwerp: [de1103] Re: DE1103 or Tecsun PL880
>
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3454. Re:Re: [de1103] Re: DE1103 or Tecsun PL880

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-14 23:51:21 UTC
From: hansstm@...
Topic: 3443 Message: 3454

Oké yes i want to buy a new one, not a refurbished or a used one.

Hans

Verzonden vanaf mijn Nokia Asha-smartphone

Oorspronkelijk bericht:

Van: robert gorsch rgorsch@yahoo.com [de1103]
Datum: 14-06-2014 06:49
Aan: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Onderwerp: Re: [de1103] Re: DE1103 or Tecsun PL880

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Van: 'Julian Hardstone' julian@rosestone.me.uk [de1103]
Datum: 13-06-2014 11:56
Aan: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Onderwerp: [de1103] Re: DE1103 or Tecsun PL880

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3455. Re: Re: [de1103] Re: DE1103 or Tecsun PL880

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-14 23:04:18 UTC
From: robert gorsch
Topic: 3443 Message: 3455

Search for DE1103 on Ebay. There are several China/Hong Kong dealers offering brand-new 1103s with all the accessories. I have personally dealt with tquchina (SinoRadios) and Anon Co.and recommend them both. tquchina in particular has been very helpful and responsive.

On Saturday, June 14, 2014 4:51 PM, "hansstm@... [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

Oké yes i want to buy a new one, not a refurbished or a used one. Hans Verzonden vanaf mijn Nokia Asha-smartphone
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Oorspronkelijk bericht: Van: robert gorsch rgorsch@... [de1103]
Datum: 14-06-2014 06:49
Aan: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Onderwerp: Re: [de1103] Re: DE1103 or Tecsun PL880
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3456. Re: Static damage

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-18 14:58:11 UTC
From: kb8dns@...
Topic: 3441 Message: 3456

A tad bit late on this but in the photo section I have posted about three years ago the needed info on how to install the MPF-102 and it works....

73 Rod KB8DNS

3457. Re: DE1103 or Tecsun PL880

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-18 15:13:48 UTC
From: kb8dns@...
Topic: 3443 Message: 3457

Hi Hans,

I have all three and each has it's merits. My DE-1103 is a good little receiver, I bought it used but Q1 was out, I used a MPF-102 as a replacement and it was back in business. As for performance it does well on Short wave and FM. Being stable on SSB makes for good SSB HAM and untility reception. A good simple and basic receiver.
The Tecsun PL-660 is a bit larger receiver with a more conventional display, with out the traveling line. SYNC works very good on my unit with SSB being about average and on par with the DE-1103. I feel the FM is better on the DE-1103 but works fine in other ways. A step up from the DE-1103
My PL-880 is newest of the three and the best feature is the enhanced audio with the high tec speaker with it's bass reflex.... the audio is excellent! SSb is about average and mine works well with the best parts of the 880 being the fine tuning knob that is far superior than the BFOs of the 660 and DE-1103, the band width selection is very good with nice isolation on SSB and CW, this helps with faint stations on general short wave. Worst part(s) would be the lack of working SYNC and the fight with the DSP! SYNC is not really a selling feature of the 880 as it is not even mentioned in the manual, it does work but not very good and it is far better on the PL-660. THE DSP is nice but it is best to minimize the action of this by setting the level in the menus. Also the PL-880 is a menu driven receiver to a degree and that may be troublesome for some operators. It is possible there will be improvements on this receiver in the future.

73 Rod KB8DNS

3458. Re:[de1103] Re: DE1103 or Tecsun PL880

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-18 17:27:48 UTC
From: hansstm@...
Topic: 3443 Message: 3458

Hi Rod

Thanks for your Nice and interesting mail! Three receivers, not bad. I also look at the Tecsun S2000. Do you have an opinion about this receiver?

Regards,
Hans

Verzonden vanaf mijn Nokia Asha-smartphone

Oorspronkelijk bericht:

Van: kb8dns@yahoo.com [de1103]
Datum: 18-06-2014 15:13
Aan: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Onderwerp: [de1103] Re: DE1103 or Tecsun PL880

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3459. Latest DE-1103 DSP???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-19 09:20:20 UTC
From: jaypolicow@...
Topic: 3459 Message: 3459

I bought a new DE-1103 as my original units both developed problems. I've noticed that this new one is quite different in performance than the older models. While it has digital hets on the AM band which the old models did not (very unfortunate), the FM is now incredibly sensitive and selective. In fact, in a recent shootout against several of my best portables on FM the DE-1103 amazed me that it was a top performer.

I'm surprised there have been no other comments about the fact that the latest generation DE-1103's seem to be completely different than the original models.

Does anyone have any information about this?

Jay
http://radiojayallen.com

3460. R: [de1103] Latest DE-1103 DSP???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-19 09:52:44 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3460 Message: 3460

Hi Jay,
last generation DE-1103 receivers have some improvements with respect the older ones. One of these is two 1N4148-similar diodes in the antenna stage to protect it from ESD or similar overvoltage.

The supply stage has been also modified.

In my receiver I had to trim the spring contact of the external supply connector, which did not do a good contact and caused an early power cut off.

Luigi

Inviato da Samsung Mobile

-------- Messaggio originale --------
Da: "jaypolicow@snet.net [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Data:
A: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Oggetto: [de1103] Latest DE-1103 DSP???

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Jay

http://radiojayallen.com

3461. Re:[de1103] Latest DE-1103 DSP???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-19 14:39:00 UTC
From: hansstm@...
Topic: 3459 Message: 3461

Hi Jay, what version do you have and where did you order ?

Hans

Verzonden vanaf mijn Nokia Asha-smartphone

Oorspronkelijk bericht:

Van: jaypolicow@snet.net [de1103]
Datum: 19-06-2014 09:20
Aan: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Onderwerp: [de1103] Latest DE-1103 DSP???

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3462. Re:[de1103] Latest DE-1103 DSP???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-20 10:44:30 UTC
From: jaypolicow@...
Topic: 3459 Message: 3462

Hans,

I bought mine several months ago...perhaps January or so from Anon Co.

Jay

3463. Re:Re:[de1103] Latest DE-1103 DSP???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-20 14:19:50 UTC
From: hansstm@...
Topic: 3459 Message: 3463

Thanks Jay
i wonder if it will be thiz receiver or the Tecsun S2000.
Which do you prefer?

Hans

Verzonden vanaf mijn Nokia Asha-smartphone

Oorspronkelijk bericht:

Van: jaypolicow@snet.net [de1103]
Datum: 20-06-2014 10:44
Aan: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Onderwerp: Re:[de1103] Latest DE-1103 DSP???

Hans,

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Jay

3464. Re:Re:[de1103] Latest DE-1103 DSP???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-21 11:17:30 UTC
From: jaypolicow@...
Topic: 3459 Message: 3464

They are not in the same category...they are apples and oranges. Each has strengths and weaknesses compared with other radios in their categories. To compare them overall might be a bit misleading.

Jay

3465. Re:Re:Re:[de1103] Latest DE-1103 DSP???

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-22 11:06:01 UTC
From: hansstm@...
Topic: 3459 Message: 3465

Hi Jay, you are right about the categories. I am just retired and have time for the hobby. money is not the problem not too expensive but maximum 600 euro is possible. Grundig 750 Alinco dx8, CR-1 etc

Regards

Hans

Verzonden vanaf mijn Nokia Asha-smartphone

Oorspronkelijk bericht:

Van: jaypolicow@snet.net [de1103]
Datum: 21-06-2014 11:17
Aan: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Onderwerp: Re:Re:[de1103] Latest DE-1103 DSP???

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Jay

3466. 31MS active loop antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-22 15:44:32 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3466 Message: 3466

Hi all,

I'm using the Degen active loop antenna 31MS together with the Degen DE1103. It's a cheap and valuable antenna, effective especially on SW. Last winter I was able to receive two distant stations, from Northern Mariana Island and Guam Island, more than 12000 km far from my location.

However, I have noted that the 31MS control unit generate a RF noise at the frequency of 2.547 MHz, and relevant harmonics. The fundamental frequency is very strong, the Degen signal meter shows level 9 (full scale). The harmonic 2 (about 5 MHz) is a bit less strong (level 6), and so on for the other harmonics.

Have anyone noted the same behaviour?

Regards

Luigi

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3467. Re: [de1103] 31MS active loop antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-28 01:57:09 UTC
From: robert gorsch
Topic: 3466 Message: 3467

Dear Luigi:

I have the same loop and a Grundig G5 (almost identical receiver to 1103). I seem to get a spurious signal at 5054 or so with a level 9 reading on the s-meter. When I turn off the loop controller and switch back to the whip, it disappears.

I have no way of trying to detect it in the region of 2500 khz.

Otherwise, I like the loop but it doesn't give dramatically better results than the whip or my modest outdoor random wire antenna. Which antenna gives the best results all depends on circumstances.

RG

On Sunday, June 22, 2014 8:44 AM, "Luigi Candurro luigi.candurro@... [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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3468. Re: [de1103] 31MS active loop antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-06-28 11:15:22 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3466 Message: 3468

Hi Robert,

the frequency you have mentioned looks like the harmonic 2 of the noise.
I have checked the control unit with an oscilloscope: the noise at about
2.55 MHz is a low level signal but clearly visible at the control unit
output. This noise should originate in the DC/DC converter, needed to
rise the battery voltage to the tuning voltage (12-13 V).
A different choice of the DC/DC working frequency and a better filtering
could help, but a bigger inductor/transformer and additional components
may be required, difficult to place in the small unit internal room.

Luigi

Il 28/06/2014 03:57, robert gorsch rgorsch@... [de1103] ha scritto:
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>
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> 1103). I seem to get a spurious signal at 5054 or so with a level 9
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> RG
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> Regards
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> Luigi
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3469. Re: [de1103] RE: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-07-31 14:11:45 UTC
From: Ramiro Aceves
Topic: 3364 Message: 3469

Just to say that after 7 months my Degen is working fine after the resurrection.

Regards.

Ramiro, EA4NZ

2013-11-08 23:19 GMT+01:00 Ramiro Aceves <ea1abz@...>:

> El 01/11/13 22:36, kb8dns@... escribió:
>
> Nice photos and nice fix for the "lock up" fault!
>>
>
> Thanks. I would like to test the "repair procedure" in another receiver to
> see if if works. At least it worked here. My Degen is working fine !
>
> 73, Ramiro. EA4NZ.
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>>
>> Looking at the photos I see the same over burden of solder flux and
>> dust as there is with my Degen and Gundig G3, kind of a sloppy way to
>> treat a radio and points to cheap assembly and poor quality control.
>>
>> I am wondering if the stuff was cleaned up, there would be no
>> "crosstalk" with the CPU signals?
>>
>>
>> 73 Rod KB8DNS
>>
>>
>>
>> ---In de1103@yahoogroups.com, <greenbrier614@...> wrote:
>>
>> Sorry for the false start, Ramiro, but it quite an optical illusion.
>> Given what I've found in some of their radios, it wouldn't have
>> surprised me.
>>
>>
>> Nelson
>>
>>

>>
>> ---In de1103@yahoogroups.com, <ea1abz@...> wrote:
>>
>> Oh, no, sorry for the picture. It is a photo illusion. It is actually a
>> drop of glue. The light refraction on the edge of the drop causes a
>> false illusion that the board is broken, but is not. I think...
>>
>> Thanks.
>> Ramiro
>> EA4NZ
>>
>> El 30/10/2013 04:30, <greenbrier614@... <mailto:greenbrier614@...>>
>> escribió:
>>
>> __
>>
>>
>> Ramiro,
>>
>>
>> Excellent detective work. I'll try this on my G5 or G3 if
>> they ever become unresponsive.
>>
>>
>> Btw, did you notice the horizontal crack in the processor
>> board just above the crystal in picture 3? It nearly cuts
>> through the ground foil.
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>>
>> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-03.jpg
>>
>>
>> There's a vertical scratch where it looks like it took a
>> hit. Great QC at Degen.
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>> Nelson
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>> ---In de1103@yahoogroups.com
>>
>> <mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com>, <ea1abz@...> wrote:
>>
>> Hello!
>>
>> I left my Degen 1103 for 5 days without batteries. It did
>> not work. I

>> was about leaving it for 1 month resting period. I could not
>> wait....
>>
>> Tired of blind testing, I opened the receiver. Removed the
>> dial cables,
>> the ribon cable and desoldered the speaker cable. Removed the
>> microprocessor board shield.
>>
>> I measured some voltage at some main microprocessor pin.
>> Something like
>> 200 mV. I shorted to GND every microprocesor pin. I shorted
>> to GND
>> everything I was able to.
>>
>> I also shorted to GND some pins of the TA2057 in the analog
>> board
>> (probably of no interest).
>>
>> I assembled the receiver again.
>>
>> The receiver has come to life again!
>>
>>
>> You can see pictures at:
>>
>> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-01.jpg
>> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-02.jpg
>> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-03.jpg
>> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-04.jpg
>> (horrible diode soldering)
>> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-05.jpg
>> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen.mp4
>>
>> Thanks to all.
>>
>> Ramiro.
>> EA4NZ
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>> El 22/10/13 23:02, Ramiro Aceves escribió:
>>
>> > I also did all sort of reset combinations, with
>> batteries, without
>> > batteries, with the AC charger, without it...
>> >
>> > I will try again on the week end. My degen is resting
>> now without

>> > batteries....
>> >
>> > El 22/10/2013 08:57, "Ramiro Aceves" <ea1abz@...
>> <mailto:ea1abz@...>
>> > <mailto:ea1abz@... <mailto:ea1abz@...>>> escribió:
>>
>> >
>> > Thanks to all for your hints and tips.
>> > I tried after a 28 h resting and still do not work.
>> I am going to
>> > wait till the week end....
>> >
>> > El 21/10/2013 11:35, "Martin" <kb0hae@... <mailto:
>> kb0hae@...>
>> > <mailto:kb0hae@... <mailto:kb0hae@...>>> escribió:
>>
>> >
>> > Hi. I would try a reset several times both
>> with and without the
>> > batteries. And if it does start working, plug
>> it in with the
>> > wall wart
>> > when changing batteries! I use NiMH batteries
>> and charge them
>> > in the
>> > radio.
>> >
>> > A friend had a G5 that worked fine. He was
>> taking the batteries
>> > out and
>> > charging them without plugging the wall wart
>> into the radio
>> > first. He
>> > is blind, so can't see to charge batteries in
>> the radio. After one
>> > battery charge, when he put the batteries in,
>> the radio would
>> > work on
>> > SW, but not on FM. No matter what we tried,
>> the radio got
>> > progressively
>> > worse. Now it might or might not start working
>> after being on
>> > for 10-15
>> > minutes. It lights but no frequency display,
>> and no audio, not
>> > even a
>> > slight hiss. It is now in a closet here as a
>> parts radio as the
>> > case,

>> > antenna, etc are good.
>> >
>> > I believe that this could have been avoided if
>> he had plugged in the
>> > radio before taking out the batteries, and left
>> it plugged in
>> > until the
>> > batteries were charged and back in the radio.
>> Some of the
>> > Kaito/Degen
>> > 1103 and E5/G5 radios seem to be sensitive to
>> some sort of power
>> > surge
>> > when batteries are removed and new or freshly
>> charged batteries are
>> > inserted.
>> >
>> > TTYL
>> >
>> > On 10/21/2013 01:56 AM, Ramiro Aceves wrote:
>> > > Interesting. I bought mine 2 years ago.
>> > >
>> > > This loooong waiting procedure is horrible.
>> Each time you
>> > fail you must
>> > > start again. If you are not patient enough
>> it is a nightmare.
>> > > The problem is that I do not know if I must
>> wait for 1 day or
>> > 5! :-)
>> > >
>> > > I do not know if my dear receiver has died
>> for ever.
>> > >
>> > > 73, Ramiro.
>> > > EA4NZ
>> > > El 20/10/2013 20:08, "Luigi
>> > Candurro"<luigi.candurro@... <mailto:
>> luigi.candurro@...>
>> > <mailto:luigi.candurro@... <mailto:
>> luigi.candurro@...>>>
>>
>> > > escribió:
>> > >
>> > >> **
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>> > >>
>> > >> I'm trying to figure out if the last
>> release of the
>> > receiver, which shows

>> > >> some HW changes with respect to the
>> previous releases, has
>> > been improved
>> > >> about the battery change issue. I bought
>> the receiver last
>> > month, and I
>> > >> have removed and replaced batteries
>> (rechargeable type)
>> > several times till
>> > >> now, but I had to use the reset button just
>> 2 or 3 times.
>> > >> No wait for capacitor discharge.
>> > >> Till now... ;-)
>> > >>
>> > >> Luigi
>> > >>
>> > >>
>> > >>
>> > >> Il 20/10/2013 19:22, Gary Sargent ha
>> scritto:
>> > >>
>> > >>
>> > >>
>> > >> Like a few other reply’s, I’ve only have
>> the batteries out
>> > of my 1103 a
>> > >> few times (I use rechargeables) .. but each
>> time I had to do
>> > the reset to
>> > >> bring the radio back to life. I don’t
>> recall being patient
>> > enogh to just
>> > >> wait an extended time with the batteries
>> out. So I try to
>> > not take the
>> > >> batteries out!****
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>> > >> ** **
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>> > >> Good luck!****
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>> > >> ** **
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>> > >> KE8WO****
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>> > Martin Campbell
>> > A Satisfied Aptosid Linux user! To get Aptosid
>> go to:
>> >www.aptosid.com <http://www.aptosid.com>
>> <http://www.aptosid.com>
>> > "Those who would give up Essential Liberty to
>> purchase a little
>> > Temporary Safety, deserve neither Liberty nor
>> Safety." Benjamin
>> > Franklin (1818). Best privacy policy: Never
>> Ever entrust your
>> > data to
>> > anyone but yourself!!!
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>> > Yahoo! Groups Links
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3470. My "Degen 1103" died!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-07-31 20:28:24 UTC
From: ALUIZIO ANTONIO DOS SANTOS
Topic: 3470 Message: 3470

He died and I could not resuscitates him despite "fussação".
In very good condition.
Only removed the antenna and one rear cap holding it high to put on another radio.
If anyone is interested I send, (Brazil only), by first class mail to be collected.
aluizio

Note
Just send me to pass the CPF.

Ele morreu e eu não consegui ressucita-lo apesar da "fussação".
Em muito bom estado de conservação.
Somente retirei a antena e aquela tampinha traseira que mantem ele elevado para colocar em outro rádio.
Se alguem se interessar eu mando, (somente Brasil), por sedex a cobrar.
Aluizio

Obs.
Só mando se me passar o CPF.

3471. Re: [de1103] RE: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-07-31 22:18:13 UTC
From: john
Topic: 3364 Message: 3471

I enjoyed reading the various problems and potential fixes to these radios.
I have to say that the pictures of the PCB assembly show perhaps the WORST
quality I've ever seen in a commercial item. From the uncleaned flux to
the hamfisted transistor mounting to the horrible soldering of the
MELF packaged diodes , it's a miracle any of these things work!

John

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3472. Re: [de1103] RE: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-04 15:30:10 UTC
From: Ramiro Aceves
Topic: 3364 Message: 3472

Yes, PCB does not look good. Any way, it still works...we do not know how is it possible.

Regards

2014-08-01 0:18 GMT+02:00 john johnmb@... [de1103] <de1103@yahoogroups.com>:

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> quality I've ever seen in a commercial item. From the uncleaned flux to
> the hamfisted transistor mounting to the horrible soldering of the
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>
> John
>
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> protection is active.
> http://www.avast.com
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>

3473. Re: DE1103 or Tecsun PL880

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-05 22:33:07 UTC
From: jtcasejr@...
Topic: 3443 Message: 3473

Hi Hans,

There is a mini-review on the PL-880, PL-660, and the ATS-909X here: N9EWO - Dave's Radio News http://webpages.charter.net/n9ewo2/news.html

http://webpages.charter.net/n9ewo2/news.html

N9EWO - Dave's Radio News http://webpages.charter.net/n9ewo2/news.html 1. Waterfall screens, mouse operation, and other additional functions on the bandscope have been added. 2. An audio scope function has been added. 3.

View on webpages.charter.net http://webpages.charter.net/n9ewo2/news.html
Preview by Yahoo

I gather he will be doing a more complete review on these three in the near future. On his main page, he has a full review on the DE1103: Degen DE1103 - Kaito KA1103 - N9EWO Review - http://webpages.charter.net/n9ewo2/de1103.html

http://webpages.charter.net/n9ewo2/de1103.html

Degen DE1103 - Kaito KA1103 - N9EWO Review - http://webpages.charter.net/n9ewo2/de1103.html Good Construction Our DE1103 test sample's construction was of reasonable quality. It scores better than more current Degen models.

View on webpages.charter.net http://webpages.charter.net/n9ewo2/de1103.html
Preview by Yahoo

Dave was an editor for the now defunct "Passport to World Band Radio", and now has many reviews on his own page.

John

3474. First post and question about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-09 12:09:38 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3474 Message: 3474

Hello,

I am considering buying the DE 1130. I am temporarily located in the Netherlands, so my cheapest purchase options are from UK or German-based Ebay resellers (I've ruled out direct import from China because with added tax it's more or less the same price and a possible return to base would be more difficult).

1) I wonder if anybody has bought this device recently, because I've noticed that all resellers ship this radio without batteries, despite the picture of the batteries still being on display. It wouldn't be a major tragedy, but considering that the total price would be around 75/80 euro, it would have been nice to have some batteries.

2) In case batteries are not provided, I already have two sets of AA rechargeable batteries, which I would like to alternate when the first set is discharged. I've read horror stories about taking the batteries out while charging (I'm referring to the thread "Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries"). Without duplicating threads, can anybody confirm me it is safe to take the batteries out?

3) Reading the group archives I had the impression that the charger would give a 100ma output, but the specifications of the adapter on Ebay says 8V 300ma. So which is it, 300 or 100ma?

Any other thing I should considering before firing the order? I would be using this radio mainly for SSB listening.

Thanks and keep up the good work.

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Ottavio

3475. Re: [de1103] First post and question about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-09 13:09:17 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3474 Message: 3475

Hi Ottavio,

please find my answers after each question of yours.

Luigi

Il 09/08/2014 14:09, Ottavio Caruso ottavio2006-degen@... [de1103]
ha scritto:
>
> 1) I wonder if anybody has bought this device recently, because I've
> noticed that all resellers ship this radio without batteries, despite
> the picture of the batteries still being on display. It wouldn't be a
> major tragedy, but considering that the total price would be around
> 75/80 euro, it would have been nice to have some batteries.
>
I have bought the receiver last year from a Chinese reseller, and
batteries were included in the package.
I think you can find much better batteries on the market, e.g. Sanyo
Eneloop, both from the point of view of the capacity and the quality.

> 2) In case batteries are not provided, I already have two sets of AA
> rechargeable batteries, which I would like to alternate when the first
> set is discharged. I've read horror stories about taking the batteries
> out while charging (I'm referring to the thread "Degen 1103 strangely
> dead after changing to new batteries"). Without duplicating threads,
> can anybody confirm me it is safe to take the batteries out?
>
I usually don't charge batteries with the built-in charger, but with an
external charger/analyser I trust on much more.
I have changed batteries many times, with the receiver turned off,
without any problem.

> 3) Reading the group archives I had the impression that the charger
> would give a 100ma output, but the specifications of the adapter on
> Ebay says 8V 300ma. So which is it, 300 or 100ma?
>
The charging current is specified 100 mA in the user manual, but I have
never checked it.

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3476. Re: [de1103] First post and question about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-09 13:11:54 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3474 Message: 3476

On 9 August 2014 15:09, Luigi Candurro luigi.candurro@...
[de1103] <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
>
> The charging current is specified 100 mA in the user manual, but I have never checked it.

Thanks Luigi,

is it possible that this is a new charger and that indeed it could be
a new repackaging of the receiver?

3477. Re: [de1103] First post and question about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-09 13:26:10 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3474 Message: 3477

300 mA is the current requirement for the AC adapter, the battery
charging current should be lower.

The receiver project has been reviewed, I think few years ago, in order
to fix some problems. Indeed I found in my receiver some components not
present in older revisions.

Luigi

Il 09/08/2014 15:11, Ottavio Caruso ottavio2006-degen@... [de1103]
ha scritto:
>
> On 9 August 2014 15:09, Luigi Candurro luigi.candurro@...
> [de1103] <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
> >
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> have never checked it.
>
> Thanks Luigi,
>
> is it possible that this is a new charger and that indeed it could be
> a new repackaging of the receiver?
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3478. Re: [de1103] First post and question about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-09 14:43:22 UTC
From: Tudor Vedeanu
Topic: 3474 Message: 3478

> Any other thing I should considering before firing the order? I would
> be using this radio mainly for SSB listening.
>

One thing you should be aware of: on the Degen DE1103 in SSB mode you can't select the sidebands (LSB/USB).

Best regards,
Tudor

3479. Re: [de1103] First post and question about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-09 15:19:22 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3474 Message: 3479

Il 09/08/2014 16:43, Tudor Vedeanu tmvedeanu@... [de1103] ha scritto:
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>
> Any other thing I should considering before firing the order? I would
> be using this radio mainly for SSB listening.
>
>
> One thing you should be aware of: on the Degen DE1103 in SSB mode you
> can't select the sidebands (LSB/USB).
There is no explicit switch for LSB/USB, but you can adjust the
frequency by means of the SSB fine knob.

Luigi

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3480. Re: [de1103] First post and question about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-09 19:58:03 UTC
From: Barry Lietz
Topic: 3474 Message: 3480

Try the US versions of the Degen radio - Kaito KA1103 comes with batteries and charger for US or the Kaito KA1102 both with SSB. and USA warranty through www.Kaitousa.com or on Amazon through Electronnix - actually Kaito USA.

On Saturday, August 9, 2014 11:19 AM, "Luigi Candurro luigi.candurro@... [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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Luigi

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3481. Re: [de1103] First post and question about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-10 09:05:24 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3474 Message: 3481

On 9 August 2014 19:58, Barry Lietz bwlietz@... [de1103]
<de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
>
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It's not convenient for me to order from the USA as I'd have to pay
excess VAT. Then probably the adaptor would be 110V instead of 230V.

3482. Re: [de1103] First post and question about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-10 14:42:11 UTC
From: Mvs Sarma
Topic: 3474 Message: 3482

if the batteries you have are of same or nearby capacity, charge and use them.

you can remove the cells from the radio, without any fear. After some delay, you can place them back and check the operation.
all the best

On Sunday, 10 August 2014 2:35 PM, "Ottavio Caruso ottavio2006-degen@... [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

On 9 August 2014 19:58, Barry Lietz bwlietz@... [de1103] <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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3483. Re: First post and question about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-10 20:05:17 UTC
From: martin_cook@...
Topic: 3474 Message: 3483

Hello Ottavio.

The batteries are charged in the radio at 100mA - I have measured it. There must be a constant current charger in the radio as it doesn't change whatever the state of charge of the batteries. I have had my 1103 since about 2008 and never had any problems with lockup and I have always charged the batteries in the radio - not in an external charger. I use 2400mA/H cells which I charge for 30hours when the radio ceases to work. I have quite a few other radios to take its place when on charge! I guess the charge rate is kept low to avoid overheating in the radio. Don't buy a Kaito from the USof A unless you want a 115v charger.

SSB works fine for me, hardly ever use LSB. There is a trick to getting the best SSB sound which involves zero beating the BFO against an AM station, then marking the centre of the BFO knob with a spot of nail polish so you can return to the centre position any time. Most (all?) of my SSB listening is to HF aero which are on exact frequencies - 8867.0kHz for example - so the BFO stays in the centre position. Hams on LSB or USB may not be on exact kHz so you need to tweak the BFO to clarify their signals - but now you can go back to the centre!

Be very careful to avoid static discharge into the whip antenna - ground yourself to the metal front panel before touching the whip.

Overall a very good radio - doesn't take long to get used to the quirky ergonomics!

Cheers - Martin ZL2MC

3484. Re: [de1103] Re: First post and question about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-10 20:45:39 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 3474 Message: 3484

What would happen if I change the batteries in my 1103 to normal 1.5V batteries? Not rechargable?

Thanks,
Bruno

MvG, Best regards, Meilleures salutations, Mit freundlichen Grussen,
Bruno Geuth

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On Sunday, August 10, 2014 10:05 PM, "martin_cook@... [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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3485. Re: [de1103] Re: First post and question about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-10 20:53:30 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3474 Message: 3485

You can, but you should not try to charge them.

Luigi

Il 10/08/2014 22:45, bruno geuth geuth_consulting@... [de1103] ha
scritto:
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> batteries? Not rechargable?
> Thanks,
> Bruno
> MvG, Best regards, Meilleures salutations, Mit freundlichen Grussen,
> Bruno Geuth
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> Certified Consultant J.D.Edwards Financials since 1991
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3486. OT: ebay/paypal nightmare

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-11 11:50:19 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3486 Message: 3486

I've tried to buy the Degen de1103 from a uk-based ebay seller. As I have no ebay and no paypal account and don't want any, I've attempted to make my payment as guest. I filled all the forms, including credit card details, and pressed the button.

This is where the nightmare starts: the page was stuck with "Procession your payment..". After 45 minutes of no action, I've stopped the page.

I've contacted the seller by email (a free outlook.com account), but at the moment there's no reply.

I've checked in my bank account online, there's a pending transaction of £1 to paypal and that's it.

Does anybody know what could have happened? Of course, not being registered with either ebay or paypal, there's no way to check it online.

Thanks

3487. Re: [de1103] OT: ebay/paypal nightmare

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-11 12:50:21 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3486 Message: 3487

Hi Ottavio,

I think the ? 1 is similar to EUR 1 charged during a pending
transaction, it will be cancelled as soon as the transaction is concluded.

Luigi

Il 11/08/2014 13:50, Ottavio Caruso ottavio2006-degen@... [de1103]
ha scritto:
>
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> have no ebay and no paypal account and don't want any, I've attempted
> to make my payment as guest. I filled all the forms, including credit
> card details, and pressed the button.
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> online.
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> Thanks
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3488. Fwd: [de1103] OT: ebay/paypal nightmare

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-11 12:57:21 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3488 Message: 3488

On 11 August 2014 14:50, Luigi Candurro luigi.candurro@...
[de1103] <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
>
> Hi Ottavio,
>
> I think the £ 1 is similar to EURO 1 charged during a pending transaction, it will be cancelled as soon as the transaction is concluded.

Thanks.

Do you think that if I haven't received any confirmation from ebay,
the payment hasn't gone through?

How log should I wait to check that? Bear in my mind I was using a
guest account.

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Ottavio Caruso

3489. Re: Fwd: [de1103] OT: ebay/paypal nightmare

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-11 13:16:33 UTC
From: mvs_sarma@...
Topic: 3488 Message: 3489

You can log into Send Money, Pay Online or Set Up a Merchant Account - PayPal http://www.paypal.com

Send Money, Pay Online or Set Up a Merchant Account - PayPal http://www.paypal.com PayPal is the faster, safer way to send money, make an online payment, receive money or set up a merchant account.

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Preview by Yahoo

and pay that pending $1 payment. Later your account would be active
as they send communication to you. then you can go to ebay and process payment.

i too had paid 1$ at the beginning.
Also when ever you change the credit card similar situation happenes.
all the best

3490. Re: Fwd: [de1103] OT: ebay/paypal nightmare

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-11 13:19:28 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3488 Message: 3490

Sarma,

I don't have a Paypal account, I don't have an ebay account. Even if I created an account now, the transaction wouldn't appear.

On 11 August 2014 15:16, mvs_sarma@... [de1103] <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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>
> You can log into Send Money, Pay Online or Set Up a Merchant Account -
> PayPal <http://www.paypal.com>
> Send Money, Pay Online or Set Up a Merchant Account - PayPal
> <http://www.paypal.com>
> PayPal is the faster, safer way to send money, make an online payment,
> receive money or set up a merchant account.
> View on www.paypal.com <http://www.paypal.com>
> Preview by Yahoo
>
> and pay that pending $1 payment. Later your account would be active
> as they send communication to you. then you can go to ebay and process
> payment.
>
> i too had paid 1$ at the beginning.
> Also when ever you change the credit card similar situation happenes.
> all the best
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3491. Re: Fwd: [de1103] OT: ebay/paypal nightmare

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-11 13:24:42 UTC
From: mvs_sarma@...
Topic: 3488 Message: 3491

Perhaps you can go to www.paypal.com http://www.paypal.com and register now. try once you get logged
whether the guest account that called for $1 , is there pending across newly registered account.

3492. Re: OT: ebay/paypal nightmare

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-11 17:53:07 UTC
From: jtcasejr@...
Topic: 3486 Message: 3492

This is a normal part of the verification process. They typically put through a 1 or smaller denomination. When the transaction comes through, the 1 will go away. If no transaction comes through, after 10 days it will go away without being charged.

Obviously the transaction was interrupted before the transaction could be completed. I have purchased a number of items off of Ebay using a guest account, and the only way to tell for sure if the order was successfully processed is when you get an email from Ebay that the transaction was successful, and also an email from Paypal with your receipt for payment.

As you got no emails, your order did not go thru. You will have to do it again.

You can also go to the anon website and order directly from them, and avoid Evilbay and Paypal:

DEGEN DE1103 http://www.anon-co.com/product/de1103

It does come from China, but they are usually pretty fast.

John

3493. Re: OT: ebay/paypal nightmare

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-12 08:41:04 UTC
From: martin_cook@...
Topic: 3486 Message: 3493

Hi Ottavio,

Paypal is perfectly safe - that is one of the reasons it was set up. I have used it many times with no problems.

I'm sure you can use it with complete confidence.

Cheers - Martin ZL2MC

3494. Re: [de1103] Re: OT: ebay/paypal nightmare

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-12 11:31:30 UTC
From: The Simpsons
Topic: 3486 Message: 3494

I agree. I've never had a problem with PayPal and have used it for many years. When I did buy from a couple of dealers and the goods did not arrive, PayPal investigated and refunded my money very quickly. Can't ask for more than that!

Grant, ZL2BK.

From: mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2014 8:41 PM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: OT: ebay/paypal nightmare

Hi Ottavio,

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Cheers - Martin ZL2MC

3495. Re: [de1103] Re: OT: ebay/paypal nightmare

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-12 11:38:22 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3486 Message: 3495

On 12 August 2014 13:31, 'The Simpsons' grant@...
[de1103] <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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> I agree. I've never had a problem with PayPal and have used it for many years. When I did buy from a couple of dealers and the goods did not arrive, PayPal investigated and refunded my money very quickly. Can't ask for more than that!

The seller came back to me by email 24 hours later, without really understanding my issue. Despite the seller claiming to be in UK the IP address of the email clearly came from China. I think anybody can rent a fictitious address anywhere and then trade from China.

I am probably going to buy a kit to assemble a radio myself. Performance might not be great but at least I'll learn something. Imagine if there were problems with the radio, who know what I'd have to do to return it back.

3496. Re: [de1103] Re: First post and question about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-12 23:29:37 UTC
From: ppasteur@...
Topic: 3474 Message: 3496

What would happen if I change the batteries in my 1103 to normal 1.5V batteries? Not rechargable?

Thanks,
Bruno

If you charge normal Alkaline, or any battery not designed to be recharged it would not go well. At least they will heat up, possibly leak, and worst case burst. You will probably screw up the radio!

3497. Re: First post and question about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-12 23:31:28 UTC
From: ppasteur@...
Topic: 3474 Message: 3497

BTW, they will NOT charge!

3498. Re: First post and question about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-13 12:54:17 UTC
From: ppasteur@...
Topic: 3474 Message: 3498

I misread the post I read Charge and not change. I apologize! Alkaline batteries will work fine in the DE1103... you just don't want to CHARGE them. Using them is fine!

3499. Re: [de1103] Re: OT: ebay/paypal nightmare

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-16 21:20:09 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 3486 Message: 3499

The ultimate way of checking to see if the payment has gone through is
to check your credit card statement.

Paul

On 12/08/2014 5:53 a.m., jtcasejr@... [de1103] wrote:
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> This is a normal part of the verification process. They typically put
> through a 1 or smaller denomination. When the transaction comes
> through, the 1 will go away. If no transaction comes through, after 10
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> DEGEN DE1103 <http://www.anon-co.com/product/de1103>
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> It does come from China, but they are usually pretty fast.
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> John
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3500. Re: [de1103] First post and question about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-17 02:05:51 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 3474 Message: 3500

Correct, it will be 110V go to your local electronics store and purchase
one but make sure the output volts are of the correct polarity.

Paul

On 10/08/2014 9:05 p.m., Ottavio Caruso ottavio2006-degen@...
[de1103] wrote:
> On 9 August 2014 19:58, Barry Lietz bwlietz@... [de1103]
> <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
>> Try the US versions of the Degen radio - Kaito KA1103 comes with batteries and charger for US or the Kaito KA1102 both with SSB. and USA warranty through www.Kaitousa.com or on Amazon through Electronnix - actually Kaito USA.
> It's not convenient for me to order from the USA as I'd have to pay
> excess VAT. Then probably the adaptor would be 110V instead of 230V.
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> ------------------------------------
> Posted by: Ottavio Caruso <ottavio2006-degen@...>
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3501. Re: [de1103] First post and question about batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-17 02:09:59 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 3474 Message: 3501

I too have had problems after changing batteries but managed to fix the problem using the reset switch. Remember you're not using a radio but a computer that thinks its a radio. You have to treat it as such and you'll be ok.

Paul

On 10/08/2014 12:09 a.m., Ottavio Caruso ottavio2006-degen@...
[de1103] wrote:
> Hello,
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>
> I am considering buying the DE 1130. I am temporarily located in the
> Netherlands, so my cheapest purchase options are from UK or
> German-based Ebay resellers (I've ruled out direct import from China
> because with added tax it's more or less the same price and a possible
> return to base would be more difficult).
>
>
> 1) I wonder if anybody has bought this device recently, because I've
> noticed that all resellers ship this radio without batteries, despite
> the picture of the batteries still being on display. It wouldn't be a
> major tragedy, but considering that the total price would be around
> 75/80 euro, it would have been nice to have some batteries.
>
>
> 2) In case batteries are not provided, I already have two sets of AA
> rechargeable batteries, which I would like to alternate when the first
> set is discharged. I've read horror stories about taking the batteries
> out while charging (I'm referring to the thread "Degen 1103 strangely
> dead after changing to new batteries"). Without duplicating threads,
> can anybody confirm me it is safe to take the batteries out?
>
>
> 3) Reading the group archives I had the impression that the charger
> would give a 100ma output, but the specifications of the adapter on
> Ebay says 8V 300ma. So which is it, 300 or 100ma?
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>
> Any other thing I should considering before firing the order? I would
> be using this radio mainly for SSB listening.
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> Thanks and keep up the good work.
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> Ottavio
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> Posted by: Ottavio Caruso <ottavio2006-degen@...>
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3502. All european Ebay stores point to qpstore.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-27 07:34:42 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3502 Message: 3502

Hello,

have you noticed that at least all European Ebay stores selling the Degen state that they are based in Europe, but if you click on the seller details, they all point out to a Chinese phone number and they all seem to be connected to qpstore.com ?

Is this normal, legal and allowed on Ebay? Same thing on Amazon UK.

It seems to be this company opens puppet companies around Europe but everything seems to be running in China.

I've emailed a couple of them, they both replied as Jasmine or qpsstore?

Why would anybody trust these people?

3503. Re: All european Ebay stores point to qpstore.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-27 07:49:56 UTC
From: special@...
Topic: 3502 Message: 3503

Hi Ottavio

Thats no different to placing an order with Digikey's UK website and then finding that you get hit for import and customs duty as the goods are actually shipped from the USA!
They only need to have some link in Europe but can then ship and deal with the customers from anywhere they please.
Many companies have non-contactable stores and only give their head office number.
The huge LIDL and ALDI chains in Europe do exactly that. You can't phone any of the stores for information, only the head office.
Standard business practice but if you don't want to deal with them then thats always your ultimate choice

Dale

3504. Re: [de1103] Re: All european Ebay stores point to qpstore.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-27 07:54:22 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3502 Message: 3504

On 27 August 2014 09:49, special@... [de1103]
<de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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> Thats no different to placing an order with Digikey's UK website and then finding that you get hit for import and customs duty as the goods are actually shipped from the USA!
> They only need to have some link in Europe but can then ship and deal with the customers from anywhere they please.
> Many companies have non-contactable stores and only give their head office number.
> The huge LIDL and ALDI chains in Europe do exactly that. You can't phone any of the stores for information, only the head office.
> Standard business practice but if you don't want to deal with them then thats always your ultimate choice

I am sorry but I don't think this is a choice given to me. If I am
told that the store is based in the UK and then it isn't, then I am
deceived.

3505. Re: [de1103] Re: All european Ebay stores point to qpstore.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-27 08:47:44 UTC
From: gx4aaw@...
Topic: 3502 Message: 3505

I quite agree with you Ottavio.
However, I bought my Degen from qpstore last year.
It was posted to me from a UK address within a week & no import duty / customs sticker was attached.
A friend of mine also bought a Degen about 2 weeks weeks later from the same source, Unfortunately, his never arrived & he got a refund.
Of course, it may be that Chinese distributors can afford to have a stock-holding in the UK, but not all over Europe.
As with all things 'mail order', there's always an element of luck!

Regards
Pete

3506. Re: [de1103] Re: All european Ebay stores point to qpstore.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-27 08:51:15 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3502 Message: 3506

On 27 August 2014 10:47, gx4aaw@... [de1103]
<de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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> However, I bought my Degen from qpstore last year.

Which Ebay store did you use? Because they have many under their name.

3507. Re: [de1103] Re: All european Ebay stores point to qpstore.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-27 09:32:58 UTC
From: gx4aaw@...
Topic: 3502 Message: 3507

Time moves quickly!
On checking, I find that I got my Degen in July 2012.
This was from qpstore_de.
Still working as it did 2 years ago - brilliantly.

3508. Re: All european Ebay stores point to qpstore.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-27 15:24:15 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3502 Message: 3508

On 27 August 2014 09:34, Ottavio Caruso <ottavio2006-degen@...> wrote:
> Hello,
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> have you noticed that at least all European Ebay stores selling the
> Degen state that they are based in Europe, but if you click on the
> seller details, they all point out to a Chinese phone number and they
> all seem to be connected to qpstore.com ?

Well I did a quick googling:
http://www.ukbusinessforums.co.uk/threads/fake-uk-sellers-china-on-ebay-scam.291298/

And I stopped reading after page 2.

3509. Re: [de1103] Re: All european Ebay stores point to qpstore.com

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-08-27 17:51:58 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3502 Message: 3509

Hi Guys. There are many scams going on through ebay. For example most of the USB flash drives listed on ebay are smaller (memory wise) than advertised. Another example is the huge number of Chinese fake "shake" battery-less flashlights. I am sure that there are many other scams on ebay. Misrepresenting the item location is common on ebay. Ebay is not interested in stopping these scams, as they make a lot of money from the scammers. If you google scams on ebay you will get more than 10 pages of relevant results. Usually relevant results on google searches end on the second or third page.

Let the buyer beware!

TTYL

On 08/27/2014 10:24 AM, Ottavio Caruso ottavio2006-degen@...
[de1103] wrote:
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> Posted by: Ottavio Caruso <ottavio2006-degen@...>
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anyone but yourself!!!

3510. SSB degradation while using the external antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-09-08 10:59:56 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3510 Message: 3510

I received my Degen last Friday, bought from Amazon.

Yesterday I went to the park and used the Degen with the external antenna all day, great ssb reception, then I went home and used the Degen on the balcony, using my extrenal antenna again. The ssb reception was horrible and voices were hard to understand.

So I reset the unit and took the batteries out.

Tried this morning, the ssb works ok if using the whip antenna but still not 100% if using the external one.

I wonder if the radio is damaged. Why would it work ok with the internal but not the external. The difference in signal is not great.

3511. Re: [de1103] SSB degradation while using the external antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-09-08 11:15:33 UTC
From: <special@...>
Topic: 3510 Message: 3511

It sounds like it’s possibly overloading on the external antenna.
Check the DX/LO switch position. If it’s in DX (distant station) try using the radio with it set to LO (Local as opposed to distant setting)
It may simply be overloading the agc circuitry.

Dale

From: mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, September 08, 2014 11:59 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] SSB degradation while using the external antenna

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3512. Re: [de1103] SSB degradation while using the external antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-09-08 16:28:39 UTC
From: paul kalamaras
Topic: 3510 Message: 3512

Yes

its overloading issue. What you could try is to use an anttenutor or Shortwave antenna tuner or align the sensitivity of the SW circuit with the external antenna connected and adjust for minimal distortion. I had to do that with the generic radio shack 20-629 ATS-505 SW radio! It now is not distorting like it use to.

Paul

On Monday, September 8, 2014 7:15 AM, "special@... [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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From: mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, September 08, 2014 11:59 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] SSB degradation while using the external
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3513. Re: [de1103] SSB degradation while using the external antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-09-08 18:23:18 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 3510 Message: 3513

A potentiometer in series... or a coupling device ... some turns of the wire from the antenna wound on a toroidal ferrite and some turns on it to a wire to the antenna jack.

Horacio Nigro Geolkiewsky
* *

Montevideo

Uruguay

3514. Re: [de1103] SSB degradation while using the external antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-09-08 22:40:29 UTC
From: john
Topic: 3510 Message: 3514

What you describe is pretty typical of an overloaded receiver due to excessive signal that the ALC cannot handle.

One suggestion, rather than using the external antenna as provided, wrap 5-6 turns of INSULATED wire around the antenna whip and run the rest of the wire around your radio room. That should provide some added RF gain without overloading your Degen.

73
John

At 06:59 AM 9/8/2014, Ottavio Caruso ottavio2006-degen@... [de1103] wrote:
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3515. Re: [de1103] SSB degradation while using the external antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-09-10 15:06:11 UTC
From: Ramiro Aceves
Topic: 3510 Message: 3515

I find that with external antenna overload exist and some kind of LO oscillator modulation occurs. Not sure.

2014-09-09 0:40 GMT+02:00 john johnmb@nc.rr.com [de1103] <de1103@yahoogroups.com>:

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> excessive signal that the ALC cannot handle.
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3516. Re: [de1103] SSB degradation while using the external antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-09-11 12:12:42 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3510 Message: 3516

On 9 September 2014 00:40, john johnmb@... [de1103]
<de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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> What you describe is pretty typical of an overloaded receiver due to
> excessive signal that the ALC cannot handle.
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> 5-6 turns of INSULATED wire around the antenna whip and run the rest of the
> wire around your radio room. That should provide some added RF gain without
> overloading your Degen.

Thanks, I'll try that.

Should I also connect the ground point of the radio to the earth?
Would that give any gain in reception?

3517. Re: SSB degradation while using the external antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-09-11 12:47:43 UTC
From: mvs_sarma@...
Topic: 3510 Message: 3517

imho,
better to isolate the antenna from the Rx using a small 1:1 balun. I fear that few turns across the Rx would further aggravate the issue as the FET amplifier inside would amplify the signals. Instead , approved antenna pin connector would disconnect the internal amplifier and isolation helps reduce, so called, common mode noise.

3518. Re: [de1103] Re: SSB degradation while using the external antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-09-11 12:52:34 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3510 Message: 3518

On 11 September 2014 14:47, mvs_sarma@... [de1103]
<de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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>
> better to isolate the antenna from the Rx using a small 1:1 balun.

Any ideas on how to build that? I've never built one.

3519. Re: [de1103] SSB degradation while using the external antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-09-11 19:15:16 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3510 Message: 3519

I agree with others that the problem is signal overload. Do you live in a house or an apartment? What type of external antenna are you using?

What I have used with good results is an external antenna made from about 20-25 of wire connected to the center conductor of a length of coax. I ground the shield of the coax. The coax is long enough to get the wire 5-10 feet from the house. This setup may not be a good impedance match, but it does help to eliminate interference from home electronic devices.

On 09/08/2014 05:59 AM, Ottavio Caruso ottavio2006-degen@...
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3520. Line out to mic cable

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-09-13 10:37:43 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3520 Message: 3520

Hello,

1) has anybody been able to decode CW digitally with the Degen?
2) Can you feed the line out to the mic socket on a laptop? I have no line in.
3) Do I have to use a mono to mono cable or can I use one these off
the shelf stereo-to-stereo 3.5mm cables?
4) Can anybody recommend a free CW decoding software for both Windows
and Linux? Ideally if there was a live cd with all decoding tools and
software it would be great.

Thanks

3521. Re: [de1103] Line out to mic cable

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-09-13 18:28:46 UTC
From: Martin
Topic: 3520 Message: 3521

Hi Ottavio. I tried this a couple of years ago. It only works well
with computer generated (IE perfect) CW. AT the time the software could
not deal well with the imperfections present in human-sent CW, small as
they might be. I had much more success decoding PSK and other digital
modes. On a side note, a friend and I were able to send and receive
computer generated CW at 100 WPM (neither of us could type that fast).
We were using Amateur Radio transceivers.

TTYL

On 09/13/2014 05:37 AM, Ottavio Caruso ottavio2006-degen@...
[de1103] wrote:
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3522. No Sound!

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-09-29 10:01:36 UTC
From: clement65@...
Topic: 3522 Message: 3522

Hi,

Posted this in the Yahoo Grundig G5/ Eton E5 group.
Someone suggested that I post my query here as the radios are very similar.

Thanks.

Hi,

I tried your suggestion by pulling out the ribbon cable and reinserting the cable. But it does not seem to fix the problem for me.

Using a Grundig G5 which is identical to the Eton E5. There is no sound from the speaker or headphones.
The only way to use the radio is to use the line out jack to a pair of headphones (no volume control) or plug it into an amplified speaker. Other than this, the radio works normally.

Is there anything else I can try? Have tried the "reset" button but it does not work.

Thanks.

---In EtonE5@yahoogroups.com, <kb8dns@...> wrote :

The audio passes through the headphone jack and this may the point of error. The audio is controlled by a up / down control through the CPU to the signal board, there may be a bad connection with the ribbon cable.
Lastly the CPU has been known to "lock up" because of static.... easy repair for this is to remove back cover, and carefully unplug the ribbon cable, then reinsert the cable.... This usually resets the CPU and controls are restored.

73 Rod KB8DNS

--- In EtonE5@yahoogroups.com, "afot7" <ot7@...> wrote:
>
> Grundig G5 no sound from speaker and headphones.
> Did reset using AC adapter,no sound.
> Can a repair be done?

>

3523. Problem With AM images on the Long Wave band and Shortwave Bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-12-25 06:05:25 UTC
From: gccengineering@...
Topic: 3523 Message: 3523

Hello,

I joined this group along time ago, but I forgot I was in it. I have 2 Kaito KA-1103 receivers that I own which is the gray version and the sliver version. The gray version was the second one I bought this month for a early Christmas gift, but it's been giving me harmonic reception problems on the long wave band using the ferrite rod antenna, but it seems that the discontinued Kaito KA35 active loop remidies the problem, but the silver one, the one that has a missing faceplate does not have this image problem. The problem is when I tune 198 kHz to beacon DIW trying to receive it, the gray KA-1103 starts receiving strong signal images / interference from WVXX-AM on 150 kHz and some other strong AM broadcast stations. The same problem also occurs with the short wave bands when I plug in the included long wire antenna with the 1/8 mono jack. It creates images like on 5 MHz from some other local AM stations like 1400 AM WPCE.

I wish that Kaito would start looking into this image problem such as design a MW signal suppressor for the LW and SW bands. The other side of this is that the silver one does not produce these problems and I bought that radio back 2012 from Radio Labs.

I bought this radio, from Kaito Electronics, the gray one, and I wish I could fix the image problems that are
occuring on the long wave and short wave bands. The AM and FM bands are find and also the short wave bands, just as long there is no passive long wire antenna connected. When I connect the KA33 active loop antenna, some other oscillation problems occur on some of the short wave frequencies, but it's not as bad as using a passive long wire antenna.

Adam Ebel
Virginia Beach, VA

3524. Re: Problem With AM images on the Long Wave band and Shortwave Bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-12-25 14:33:32 UTC
From: policow6@...
Topic: 3523 Message: 3524

This reminds me that I too see differences between an original DE-1103 I've had since they came out and a newer one I got about a year ago, but I've never gotten an answer from anyone else commenting on this.

My newer 1103 is not as good as the old on one AM...it has digital hets which seems to indicate the radio was revamped at one time because the older models had, as far as I know, no DSP.

I don't know if the newer one I got is just a bad one and I should try a third, or if someone her can tell me that current DE-1103's have the all-too familiar digital noises on AM.

Anyone with any info on this or in general about changes to the DE-1103 in current production?

Thanks...and Happy Holidays to all!

Jay

http://radiojayallen.com

3525. Re: [de1103] Re: Problem With AM images on the Long Wave band and Shortwave Bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-12-25 15:10:35 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3523 Message: 3525

Hi Jay,

I bought the DE1103 last year, but it is already the "classic" model.
What differences did you notice between the new DE1103 model and the old one?

Merry Christmas

Luigi

Il 25/12/2014 15:33, policow6@... [de1103] ha scritto:
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> I've had since they came out and a newer one I got about a year ago,
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3526. Re: [de1103] Re: Problem With AM images on the Long Wave band and Shortwave Bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-12-25 16:47:45 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3523 Message: 3526

On 25 December 2014 at 15:33, policow6@... [de1103]
<de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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> I don't know if the newer one I got is just a bad one and I should try a third, or if someone her can tell me that current DE-1103's have the all-too familiar digital noises on AM.

Bought one in July, so it must be new. It is practically unusable on LW-MW, which I don't care much about. If you want a good LW-MW receiver you're better off with a regenerative receiver kit. They are fantastic on MW, although a bit tricky to operate. If you join the regenrx yahoo group, there are tons of good circuits for MW regen receivers.

3527. Re: [de1103] Re: Problem With AM images on the Long Wave band and Shortwave Bands

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-12-27 14:09:59 UTC
From: policow6@...
Topic: 3523 Message: 3527

Really the only differences I've noted are the digital het on AM...squeal and tones that mar signals which come in much more clearly on the original DE-1103 and the E5/G5 versions.

Jay

3528. Who uses the Degen to receive fax, rtty and other digital modes?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2014-12-31 12:11:23 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3528 Message: 3528

I am fascinated by the idea of using the Degen to receive digital modes. I have read some partial guides and I know there is a line OUT, but I am wondering how to protect the radio from computer interferences.

I have wifi routers and PCs all around and I need to go in the woods to get a decent ssb reception.

Any ideas and experiences welcome.

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Ottavio

3529. Re: [de1103] Who uses the Degen to receive fax, rtty and other digital modes?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-02 09:30:23 UTC
From: Sochibusi .
Topic: 3528 Message: 3529

I am able to receive digital modes simply by running the decoding programs on a battery powered laptop with the power adapter (a big source of noise) unplugged and by distancing the radio from the electronic stuff, using a jack-jack cable above 1 m long, tapping from the Line Out or headphones plug on the Degen. You can have fun this way and keep it simple.
To get a better S/N situation, you need an audio cable insulator (lots of bargains to buy one and howtos to build one yourself on the Internet) and a low noise environment (the woods, why not? :)

On 31 December 2014 at 13:11, Ottavio Caruso ottavio2006-degen@...
[de1103] <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> modes. I have read some partial guides and I know there is a line OUT,
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> Ottavio
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3530. Re: [de1103] Who uses the Degen to receive fax, rtty and other digital modes?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-02 10:45:52 UTC
From: special@...
Topic: 3528 Message: 3530

Sochibusi

When you posted "you need an audio cable insulator" I'm sure you mean an 'isolator'.
This isolates the PC input circuitry from the radio output circuitry and normally basically either uses a simple audio transformer or an optical isolator circuit.
As you say there are many designs on the web.

Slim

3531. Re: [de1103] Who uses the Degen to receive fax, rtty and other digital modes?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-02 10:46:45 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3528 Message: 3531

Thanks 'Sochibusi .',

a couple of questions

> running the decoding programs

Can you recommend any?

> using a jack-jack cable above 1 m long

Does it have to be mono/mono, stereo/mono, or it doesn't make any difference? The standard is stereo/stereo.

> To get a better S/N situation, you need an audio cable insulator
> (lots of bargains to buy one and howtos to build one yourself on the Internet) and a low noise environment (the woods, why not? :)

Can you link to one of these how-to's?

3532. Re: [de1103] Who uses the Degen to receive fax, rtty and other digital modes?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-02 10:51:27 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3528 Message: 3532

On 2 January 2015 at 11:45, special@... [de1103]
<de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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> When you posted "you need an audio cable insulator" I'm sure you mean an 'isolator'.
> This isolates the PC input circuitry from the radio output circuitry and normally
basically either uses a simple audio transformer or an optical isolator circuit.
> As you say there are many designs on the web.

Can you give me an example, please?

And my other question is: how can this shield the radio from the PC?
One should isolate the radio completely and let the aerial do the
receiving job. These world-band receivers cannot be completely
shielded (unlike regenerative receivers, where just connecting the
earth to the ground gives a massive boost in s/n ratio).

3533. Re: [de1103] Who uses the Degen to receive fax, rtty and other digital modes?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-02 12:40:42 UTC
From: special@...
Topic: 3528 Message: 3533

As I said there are many on the web, simply google digital interface.

Here's an example
EA6VQ - Two simple PC to Radio interfaces for digital communications
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Preview by Yahoo

For receive alone you simply use the upper section of the second diagram

3534. Re: [de1103] Who uses the Degen to receive fax, rtty and other digital modes?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-02 14:06:06 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3528 Message: 3534

Thanks for that.

My objection was: wouldn't the radio pick up the interference from the aerial anyway? Unless one uses a very long cable and put the radio very far away...

I have a wifi router 15m away and that still makes my life a hell (especially on the lower bands up to 10 mhz).

On 2 January 2015 at 13:40, special@... [de1103] <
de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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3535. Re: [de1103] Who uses the Degen to receive fax, rtty and other digital modes?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-02 14:17:43 UTC
From: special@...
Topic: 3528 Message: 3535

I can use my de1103 in my shack with all my PCs and my router and I suffer no problems as long as I am NOT using the radio's own telescopic antenna.
Simply connecting it to my long wire antenna works well and most things I can hear on my IC701 are copyable on the Degen.
Using the radio's telescopic antenna is asking for problems as PCs, monitors, routers etc simply wipe out all signals . Also use it on batteries wherever possible and not with the power unit attached and on.

3536. Re: [de1103] Who uses the Degen to receive fax, rtty and other digital modes? - more on noise

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-02 19:38:44 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 3528 Message: 3536

You'll most likely find that it is NOT the router that is causing the problem but the switch mode power supply (AKA wall wart) that is being used to power the thing. The same applies to any other devices that are powered by the same type of power adapter. If you have a printer attached to your computer, pull the power plug for that too. It doesn't matter if it uses a power adapter or not.

I recently went on a noise hunt around my home:

First I tried the 'big fix' and turned off the power at the mains. The result? Almost total quiet. Now that I established that I was causing the noise the next step was to go on a hunt. It was like pealing an onion removing one layer of noise at a time.

This is what I found:

* DC power adapters were the biggest offenders, the modern ones being switch mode power supplies which have no transformer to drop the voltage. As it happened I had a number of power adapters that used transformers so I put them into service.

* The printer plugged into the computer. It didn't matter if the power was switched off at the printer the noise was no different

* The computer itself again merely shutting it down was not a total solution as it too uses a switch mode power supply that still provides power to the circuits on standby

That took care of the stuff at one end of the room, I then started ferreting out the rest of the noise sources

* The TV, like the printer it was another device generating noise when power was turned off at the set (not in standby)

* Another two power adapters for the cordless phone and router

* The Blu-ray player chucked out quite a lot of noise when it was supposedly switched off

Fixing the noise was simple - turn off the offending devices! Power boards with switches on each power point come in very useful!

I also found that using an external antenna can increase the received signals to such a degree that any noise that the receiver is picking up is drowned out. Like others have said, using just the internal whip on the radio is asking for trouble this is the same as using an inside

antenna to receive digital television.

Paul, NZ

On 3/01/2015 3:06 a.m., Ottavio Caruso ottavio2006-degen@...
[de1103] wrote:
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3537. Re: [de1103] Who uses the Degen to receive fax, rtty and other digital modes? - more on noise

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-02 20:23:21 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3528 Message: 3537

On 2 January 2015 at 20:38, Paul format3nz@... [de1103]
<de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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> I also found that using an external antenna can increase the received signals to such a degree that any noise that the receiver is picking up is drowned out. Like others have said, using just the internal whip on the radio is asking for trouble this is the same as using an inside antenna to receive digital television.

Hi Paul,

there's a thread of mine dating back to a few months ago. Using the external antenna outdoor and above 14 Mhz is fine, but on lower bands it overloads the receiver. Yes I can switch from DX to local, but then I lose the extra advantage.

Unfortunately fax and utilities are in the lower bands.

In winter I have given up using the Degen indoor (outdoor is too cold!).

I had a very primitive regenerative receiver that I foolishly threw away, that performed better than the Degen on lower bands.

I am talking of usb/lsb, because I am not interested so much in AM/broadcasting. I used to be, in the good old times of VOA, BBC World Service, Radio Netherlands and so on.

3538. Re: [de1103] Who uses the Degen to receive fax, rtty and other digital modes?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-03 16:54:24 UTC
From: Sochibusi .
Topic: 3528 Message: 3538

On 2 January 2015 at 11:46, Ottavio Caruso ottavio2006-degen@...
[de1103] <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> Thanks 'Sochibusi .',
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MultiPSK, WinPSK, FLDigi.

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http://www.qsl.net/wm2u/interface.html

http://wiki.radioreference.com/index.php/Connecting_Radios_to_Soundcards

Correct, isolator and not insulator ;)

Take into account that if your soundcard has a Line input, use it. It is
much better than Mic input that has a higher gain and saturates easily.

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3539. Re: [de1103] Who uses the Degen to receive fax, rtty and other digital modes?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-04 09:36:42 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3528 Message: 3539

On 3 January 2015 at 17:54, 'Sochibusi .' i1hnyxxx@... [de1103]
<de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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> On 2 January 2015 at 11:46, Ottavio Caruso ottavio2006-degen@...
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> Correct, isolator and not insulator ;)

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> Take into account that if your soundcard has a Line input, use it. It is
> much better than Mic input that has a higher gain and saturates easily.
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Thank you very much. A lot of stuff to ponder on. Now I'm travelling,
when I'm back in the UK I'll start developing on that.

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Ottavio Caruso

3540. A couple of questions about loop antennas

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-10 19:24:45 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3540 Message: 3540

I was just reading an article on an old issue of Radio User (UK magazine). called "QRM adverse loop antenna". (I have a scan of it, I'm not sure I'm allowed to post it).

But first of all, a loop antenna is supposed to be connected to both the antenna input and the ground, otherwise it's not really a loop.

I see that somebody here used the Degen/Kaito active loop antenna, and if I'm not wrong it will only connect to the external antenna socket. I wonder if any other loop antenna would work without connecting the ground.

Thanks

Ottavio

3541. Re: [de1103] A couple of questions about loop antennas

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-10 20:40:04 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3540 Message: 3541

Hi Ottavio,

I have found a discussion on a ham forum just on that matter:
http://www.eham.net/ehamforum/smf/index.php?topic=86578.0

Regards

Luigi

Il 10/01/2015 20:24, Ottavio Caruso ottavio2006-degen@... [de1103]
ha scritto:
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3542. Re: [de1103] A couple of questions about loop antennas

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-10 21:05:21 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3540 Message: 3542

On 10 January 2015 at 20:40, Luigi Candurro
luigi.candurro@... [de1103] <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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> I have found a discussion on a ham forum just on that matter:
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Thanks for the link Luigi. My doubts are not displaced yet.

I believe the contributors to the thread on EHAM refer to "grounding" as connecting the earth of the chassis to a physical ground. In this case this is not required.

But the WB6BYU's post does go against what we learned years ago, when he says:

=quote=
An RF ground system doesn't need to be connected to the earth at all. For example, a set of quarter wave radials on a ground plane vertical. A balanced antenna such as a dipole or loop doesn't need an RF ground because all of the RF current should be flowing in the antenna itself. But an end-fed vertical or wire needs somewhere for the "other half" of the current to flow: if you don't provide some other low-impedance path it often flows back down the outside of the coax to the rig. So when I use an end-fed half wave wire antenna I also connect a quarter wave radial to the feedpoint and string it around the room.
=end quote=

But on an ordinary HAM receiver you still need to connect the other end of the dipole, regardless whether it's balanced or not, to the electrical earth.

I believe in the case of the Degen you can do away with it, because the signal is heavily pre-amplified and a proper full-size antenna would properly overload the receiver (even the supplied piece if wire does!).

In other words, I have these two doubts;

1) If the loop is not connected to the earth, would it still shield the receiver from interferences;

2) Is is worth it at all?

Sorry for being pedantic.

3543. External antenna socket, was: A couple of questions about loop antennas

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-10 21:48:56 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3543 Message: 3543

On 10 January 2015 at 19:24, Ottavio Caruso <ottavio2006-degen@...> wrote:
> But first of all, a loop antenna is supposed to be connected to both
> the antenna input and the ground, otherwise it's not really a loop.

Apologies to all.

I need to rephrase my earlier question.

I had assumed that the external antenna socket would not connect to
the electrical earth or ground of the receiver.

My question now is: is the external antenna socket of the Degen a
proper socket in the traditional sense and what impedance would it
require?

3544. Re: [de1103] External antenna socket, was: A couple of questions about loop antennas

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-11 05:49:57 UTC
From: robert gorsch
Topic: 3543 Message: 3544

I do not know what the antenna impedance of the DE 1103 is. I do know that the antenna impedance (external antenna jack) for the Grundig G5/Eton E5 is 50 ohms. I also know that the DE/KA 1103 is almost identical to the G5/E5 in general. But . . .

I also know that this is the way that the external antenna jack works on the G5/E5. The jack needs a a mono miniplug: The tip is Ant and the sleeve is Gnd. I have used antenna tuners that require both A and G connections with the Grundig G5: if A is tip and G is sleeve everything works perfectly. I have also used the Kaito/Degen shortwave loop antenna with this receiver. If you you plug the mono miniplug into the the external antenna jack, the antenna works impressively. It connects to the A and the G connections of the receiver.

On the Grundig G5, and I think the Eton E5, the external antenna, when plugged in, substitutes for the whip and the loop antenna all the way down to the Long Wave Band. The internal whip and loop antennas are switched out. As a consequence, for example, you can use a preselector to select out interference in the Long Wave band. I don't know if this is true for the 1103 or its Eton successors, such as the Grundig G3.
Best.
RG
From: "Ottavio Caruso ottavio2006-degen@... [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2015 1:48 PM
Subject: [de1103] External antenna socket, was: A couple of questions about loop antennas

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proper socket in the traditional sense and what impedance would it
require?

3545. Re: [de1103] External antenna socket, was: A couple of questions about loop antennas

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-11 09:42:55 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3543 Message: 3545

On 11 January 2015 at 05:49, robert gorsch rgorsch@... [de1103] <
de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> G5/E5 in general. But . . .
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> out interference in the Long Wave band. I don't know if this is true for
> the 1103 or its Eton successors, such as the Grundig G3.
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Very comprehensive answer. Thanks!

3546. Re: [de1103] External antenna socket, was: A couple of questions about loop antennas

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-11 13:58:14 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3543 Message: 3546

Hi Robert,

Il 11/01/2015 06:49, robert gorsch rgorsch@... [de1103] ha scritto:
> I also know that this is the way that the external antenna jack works
> on the G5/E5. The jack needs a a mono miniplug: The tip is Ant and
> the sleeve is Gnd. I have used antenna tuners that require both A and
> G connections with the Grundig G5: if A is tip and G is sleeve
> everything works perfectly. I have also used the Kaito/Degen
> shortwave loop antenna with this receiver. If you you plug the mono
> miniplug into the the external antenna jack, the antenna works
> impressively. It connects to the A and the G connections of the
> receiver.
The Degen DE1103 works in the same way: the external antenna socket
requires a 3 mm mono plug; the tip is the antenna wire, the sleeve is
connected to the receiver ground (battery "-").

>
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> plugged in, substitutes for the whip and the loop antenna all the way
> down to the Long Wave Band. The internal whip and loop antennas are
> switched out. As a consequence, for example, you can use a
> preselector to select out interference in the Long Wave band. I don't
> know if this is true for the 1103 or its Eton successors, such as the
> Grundig G3.
In the Degen, the external antenna plug, when inserted into the socket,
disconnects the internal whip antenna, not the ferrite one.
Ferrite antenna is disconnected if a simple trick is adopted, a sequence
of keys that enable the reception of signals in the 0-100 kHz band.

>
> Best.
>
> RG
Regards

Luigi

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3547. Ribbon Cable

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-11 20:49:27 UTC
From: gtd5_grump@...
Topic: 3547 Message: 3547

Hi all,

I'm the proud new owner of a Degen DE1103 and I am going to add the shielding recommended in the modification PDF. I have the case open, but I am not sure how to disconnect the ribbon cable. Is there a locking mechanism on the ribbon socket I cannot see, or does the ribbon just pull out?

Greg

3548. Re: [de1103] Ribbon Cable

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-12 16:33:28 UTC
From: Barry Lietz
Topic: 3547 Message: 3548

I am sure it doesn't just pull out. Wait until someone answers with a definitive answer and maybe a picture.

From: "gtd5_grump@... [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2015 3:49 PM
Subject: [de1103] Ribbon Cable

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Greg

3549. Re: [de1103] Ribbon Cable

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-12 17:30:26 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3547 Message: 3549

I have found a reference on Degen receiver disassembly:

http://tecsunradio.com/2012/04/07/degen-de1103-ultimate-motorized-machine-experimentradio-review

"In the latter part of the chassis circuit board wiring socket, remove
the white flat cable, pinch flat cable connector behind the site, and
slowly pull out."

Luigi

Il 12/01/2015 17:33, Barry Lietz bwlietz@... [de1103] ha scritto:
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> definitive answer and maybe a picture.
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3550. Back to the "Loop antennas" topic...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-12 18:46:55 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3550 Message: 3550

Thanks Luigi and Robert for the clarifications.

I have spent the whole afternoon reading about (active) loop antennas and RFI's.

It is clear for me that, at least indoors, RFI's are the bottleneck, to the point that I have shifted my attention to VHF and software defined radio. Pity!

Before talking about the virtues of this or that active antenna, I need to know if a loop antenna, whether passive or active, can help in any way to shield at least part of the internal RFI's caused by cheap power supply and/or wifi equipment.

I live a very mobile/semi-nomadic life, in other words I spend most of my life in (cheap) b&b's and guest house. I am surrounded my RFI's. I can't tune into anything valuable on my Degen. My interest is mainly on the 80/75 and 40m ham bands.

Am I going somewhere using a loop antenna? If so I could start with the Degen/Kaito/TG34 and start experimenting.

Is it true that passive loop antennas for SW are worthless?

Does the Degen/Kaito/TG34 tune on the 80m band?

Is there anything that I can put between the wire antenna and the receiver to filter the RFI out?

Thanks

Ottavio

3551. Re: [de1103] Ribbon Cable

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-13 00:15:34 UTC
From: john
Topic: 3547 Message: 3551

And be ever cognizant of the ancient Egyptian proverb " if it aint broke ,
don't fix it!"

John

At 12:30 PM 1/12/2015, you wrote:
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3552. Re: [de1103] Ribbon Cable

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-13 03:13:24 UTC
From: gtd5_grump@...
Topic: 3547 Message: 3552

Lol, how many times have we all not heeded that advice!

I will leave it alone for now until someone who's disconnected the ribbon before speaks up.
On another note, I did add diode protection to the whip antenna

3553. Re: Ribbon Cable

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-13 04:17:01 UTC
From: greenbrier614@...
Topic: 3547 Message: 3553

I finally had the guts to remove the ribbon cable on both my G5 and G3's (same cable) about 2 years ago. They seemed so tight I didn't think it was possible at first, but others here had done it. There is no locking mechanism; just grasp it securely and work it side-to-side as you pull it back and it should come free.

Nelson

3554. Re: Ribbon Cable

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-01-13 18:26:58 UTC
From: gtd5_grump@...
Topic: 3547 Message: 3554

Thanks very much Nelson! I will try that tonight.

Greg

3555. DE1103 Versions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-02-05 11:19:51 UTC
From: l_atape@...
Topic: 3555 Message: 3555

Hello,

I am a new user in this Group. I am currently using my Sony ICF-2001D as my Primary Radio and just got the DE1103 as a backup.

I wonder if there, arpart from the colour of the cabinet, different Versions or if improvements have been done to the radio during the years. I saw some photos where the radio and the keys are brightly illuminated by orange light. Is this what the Radio originally looks like? I have in mind that there are also Radios with a much weaker green light.

cheers,
Tim

3556. Re: DE1103 Versions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-02-05 17:07:32 UTC
From: mvs_sarma@...
Topic: 3555 Message: 3556

welcome to the group.
while seeking status,
it is better you indicate your Radio receiver serial # and year of make. etc so that those who could answer based on your report.
if tour's is latest , all the old mods may not be warranted.
all the best of reception.

3557. Re: DE1103 Versions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-02-05 17:15:05 UTC
From: mvs_sarma@...
Topic: 3555 Message: 3557

yes please
most DE1103 are having orange lights. i have not heard of green or other colors. at one stage i was thinking of white LEDs but they consume current and need 3V minimum, as we know.

3558. Re: DE1103 Versions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-02-07 14:02:44 UTC
From: policow6@...
Topic: 3555 Message: 3558

More importantly there have also been performance difference's with newer versions having digital noises on AM which older models did not have.

Jay
http://radiojayallen.com

3559. Is there any such a thing as loop antenna for lower bands (160-80m)?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-02-23 09:30:51 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3559 Message: 3559

Hello,

my favourite bands for listening are the 160 and 80m bands.

Where can I find (or how can I build) a reasonably small receiving loop antenna for these bands? Or at least for the 160m could I use an external ferrite antenna?

All loop antennas seem to be built for >= 4 Mhz.

Thanks

Ottavio

3560. Re: [de1103] Is there any such a thing as loop antenna for lower bands (160-80m)?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-02-23 10:45:08 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 3559 Message: 3560

Hi Ottavio

For 160 metres you could use a frame loop
http://www.mds975.co.uk/Content/aerials1.html

Paul

On 23/02/2015 10:30 p.m., Ottavio Caruso ottavio2006-degen@...
[de1103] wrote:
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> Thanks
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> Posted by: Ottavio Caruso <ottavio2006-degen@...>
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3561. Re: [de1103] Is there any such a thing as loop antenna for lower bands (160-80m)?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-02-23 12:44:55 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3559 Message: 3561

On 23 February 2015 at 10:45, Paul format3nz@... [de1103] <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:
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> Hi Ottavio
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> For 160 metres you could use a frame loop http://www.mds975.co.uk/Content/aerials1.html
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Thanks Paul,

I'll give a look at it.

3562. Sensitivity of Kaito 1103/Grundig G5

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-02-28 06:15:21 UTC
From: rgorsch@...
Topic: 3562 Message: 3562

I remember when I first got my Grundig G5 and started exploring around for information about it hearing from "old hands" that I shouldn't expect it to be more than it is, a little portable and a travel radio, not a full performance table top shortwave radio. When I first got the radio, however, I was astonished. My "tabletop" at the time was an old Panasonic RF 2800 whose performance seemed pretty satisfactory to me, particularly because its audio was so good and so adjustable. I was astonished because it seemed to me that the Grundig G5, using the whip antenna only, clearly outperformed the RF 2800 using an outdoor random wire antenna and an apparently effective antenna tuner. Ever since that time, my G5 has become my "tabletop" receiver used with and without an outdoor antenna .

Anyone have similar experience?

3563. Re: Sensitivity of Kaito 1103/Grundig G5

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-02-28 12:39:33 UTC
From: policow6@...
Topic: 3562 Message: 3563

Yes and no. The Eton Grundig G5/E5 and original Degen DE-1103 (NOT current production versions which are inferior on AM) were the best performing radios in their size category I'd ever owned at the time. As stand-alone portables (using built in antennas) they outperformed any other radios of similar size in terms of RF performance I had ever seen. After that, with the advent of DSP chips, although SW performance was still good and FM improved markedly, AM performance took a nose dive...the early DSP sets had great selectivity and filter characteristics but they had whines and hets which ruined their AM perrformance.

Current DSP products have begun to solve these DSP AM problems and the hope is that eventually all DSP radios will be as good as the one G5/E5/DE-1103 were. The DSP chips also have a horrible feature called soft-muting...that is reduced or disabled in some models but in others it is a real pain.

However, no radio on its whip antenna should match the performance of a radio using an outdoor random wire ASSUMING that antenna is properly installed (which includes use of coaxial lead-in, balun and proper grounding), and if the radio it is connected to can take advantage of such an antenna...many portables cannot.

So, good as the G5 is on its whip, if it is beating another radio with a 100 foot random wire, I would look to what is wrong with that setup.

Jay
http://radiojayallen.com

3564. Re: Sensitivity of Kaito 1103/Grundig G5

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-02-28 15:05:18 UTC
From: BikePackin@...
Topic: 3562 Message: 3564

Regarding the signal reception of the Kaito 1103, I have been amazed/even pleasantly puzzled by how well it works with simply the stock telescopic antenna. In addition, I, too, have comparably tested it with a long/random wire and many times pull in signals just as well with the stock telescopic antenna. The older I get the less I know.

3565. Re: [de1103] Re: Sensitivity of Kaito 1103/Grundig G5

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-02-28 16:14:13 UTC
From: miike mc manus
Topic: 3562 Message: 3565

On 2/28/2015 10:05 AM, BikePackin@... [de1103] wrote:
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> amazed/even pleasantly puzzled by how well it works with simply the
> stock telescopic antenna. In addition, I, too, have comparably tested
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> with the stock telescopic antenna. The older I get the less I know.
>
HI
I have a Kaito 1103 that does very well with a whip antenna. It's
over five years old and the top part of the whip has broken off as well
as the plastic stand in the back but it is basically the same radio.
73's
Mike

3566. Re: [de1103] Sensitivity of Kaito 1103/Grundig G5

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-02-28 19:59:24 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 3562 Message: 3566

I've found performance on shortwave to be very good but when I compared it with the Redsun RP-2100, I found it to be slightly inferior. The difference was the Redsun had a slightly better signal to noise ratio. Another great performer on shortwave is the Tecsun PL-660 and performs about the same as the other two. On medium wave I've found the Tecsun to be deaf.

As regards medium wave, I wish the 1103 was around in the 70s, it would have been interesting to see what could be heard when the band was less crowded and we were still on a 10 kHz split. But I digress, last night I was hearing Radio Marti 1180 kHz from Marathon Key, Florida at a readable strength, this was despite a station being on 1179 kHz. I am in Christchurch, New Zealand, the adjacent station was located in Auckland approximately 1073 KM away. Reception was marred by a moderately strong heterodyne which is to be expected because of the 1 kHz difference in frequency.

Paul
Christchurch, New Zealand

On 28/02/2015 7:15 p.m., rgorsch@... [de1103] wrote:
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> for information about it hearing from "old hands" that I shouldn't
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3567. Eton E5 (DE1103) off frequency.....

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-03-07 15:56:23 UTC
From: marcabbiss@...
Topic: 3567 Message: 3567

I understand they are using the same PCB.... My E5 is off frequency on AM only by about 15khz.

How can I get this calibrated to correct this , is they a calibration point on the PCB at all?

3569. Memory back up?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-07-31 16:46:38 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 3569 Message: 3569

Hi,
Is there a station memory back up in the DE1103 even when batteries are empty?
Mine was without use for 2 years and I charged it again and appearently it had kept all station memories!
Thanks and 73,Bruno in Belgium

MvG, Best regards, Meilleures salutations, Mit freundlichen Grussen,
Bruno Geuth

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3570. No audio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-08-17 14:45:27 UTC
From: Avijit Mondal
Topic: 3570 Message: 3570

Hi friends,
I have been using my DEGEN DE1103 since May 2011. From today morning, I am not getting any audio on speaker as well as on headphones. But whenever am changing the band a crackling noise is emanating. I have made two resets but the outcome is negative. Please help.
73s
Avijit,
West Bengal, INDIA.

3571. Re: [de1103] Memory back up?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-08-17 15:37:14 UTC
From: Luigi Candurro
Topic: 3569 Message: 3571

Hi Bruno,

DE1103 retaines stations frequency and alarms settings, even when the
batteries are removed for a not too short time.
If the battery replacement is fast enough, no setting at all is lost.

Luigi

Il 31/07/2015 18:46, bruno geuth geuth_consulting@... [de1103] ha
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3572. Re: [de1103] Memory back up?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-08-17 16:59:23 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 3569 Message: 3572

Thanks for confirming Luigi!
Kind regards and 73,Bruno
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On Monday, August 17, 2015 5:37 PM, "Luigi Candurro luigi.candurro@... [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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3573. Re: No audio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-08-22 12:23:53 UTC
From: mvs_sarma@...
Topic: 3570 Message: 3573

any improvement of your dead DEGEN1103, Avijit jee?

3574. Re: No audio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-08-22 12:24:54 UTC
From: mvs_sarma@...
Topic: 3570 Message: 3574

perhaps keep the set with batteries removed for a week and try fresh again.

3575. Re: [de1103] Re: No audio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-08-22 12:25:29 UTC
From: Avijit Mondal
Topic: 3570 Message: 3575

Still not Sharmaji, Have not got any suggestions from the group either.
On 22 Aug 2015 17:53, "mvs_sarma@... [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
wrote:

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>
> any improvement of your dead DEGEN1103, Avijit jee?
>
>

3576. Re: [de1103] Re: No audio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-08-22 12:26:50 UTC
From: Avijit Mondal
Topic: 3570 Message: 3576

Tried all sort of the tricks. I suspect the headphone jack could be the source of the problem.
On 22 Aug 2015 17:55, "mvs_sarma@... [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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>
> perhaps keep the set with batteries removed for a week and try fresh again.
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>

3577. Re: No audio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-08-22 12:31:02 UTC
From: mvs_sarma@...
Topic: 3570 Message: 3577

perhaps you might be having the service manual for that, downloadable from the files section.

3578. Re: [de1103] Re: No audio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-08-22 12:37:24 UTC
From: Avijit Mondal
Topic: 3570 Message: 3578

OK I will download that.
On 22 Aug 2015 18:06, "mvs_sarma@... [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
wrote:

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>
> perhaps you might be having the service manual for that, downloadable from
> the files section.
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3579. Re: [de1103] Re: No audio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-08-22 12:52:58 UTC
From: mvs_sarma@...
Topic: 3570 Message: 3579

i had mailed a zip file to you mr avijit
on your gmail
please open and slowly check

3580. Hacking the open serial pins of the 1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-09-13 10:12:23 UTC
From: kb8dns@...
Topic: 3580 Message: 3580

Doing a bit of exploring with Linux, I found this discussion about hacking everyday electronic items. I thought this may be a way to solve the purpose of the unused pins on the board when the cabinet is opened.
A bit of hacking just may reveal the lines of code that permit the radio to operate and perhaps allow software repair of reboot of the firmware.
I myself are not quite on target for the hack and this would be better as a group function.
Here is the You Tube link....

Hack everything: re-purposing everyday devices - Matt Evans
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VY9SBPo1Oy8

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VY9SBPo1Oy8

Hack everything: re-purposing everyday devices - Matt Ev...
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VY9SBPo1Oy8 Arduino is everywhere, but so is electronic junk. Got a project in mind? Take something you already have and repurpose it instead. Make it into some...

View on www.youtube.com https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VY9SBPo1Oy8
Preview by Yahoo

73 Rod KB8DNS

3581. Need Technical Assistance With Ferrite Rod Connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-10-18 07:14:33 UTC
From: gccengineering@...
Topic: 3581 Message: 3581

I was trying to look at the defective KA-1103 which was the gray one to see what is wrong with it, and I needed to reconnect the thin litz wires to the board. Which wires go where back on the board.

On the board I see ANT 1, ANT 2, and ANT 3, but I don't know where the red thin wire goes and the coupling pick up coil where there are only 2 turns of wire. I tried to study the schematic, but it does not say ANT 1, 2 and 3 on the schematic diagram.

I am trying to restore the receiver after I get the right technical data to reconnect the ferrite rod antenna.

Please let me know, Thanks!

Adam Ebel
Virginia Beach, Virginia

3582. Re: Need Technical Assistance With Ferrite Rod Connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-10-18 15:29:07 UTC
From: gccengineering@...
Topic: 3581 Message: 3582

I got it working anyways, but using another radio that I have already. The ANT 1 connects to the red wire of the main coil and the ANT 2 and 3 are connected to the thin 2 turn coupler coil. I am thinking about rewinding another coil, possibly get the LW-MW bands better performing. I just saw some pics in the files section that the Kaito KA-1103 has a less turn coil and the DE-1103 that has a real good turn coil for LW and MW which will help cover 100 kHz to 1710 kHz. I also took a picture of the circuit board with the 3 coil wires from the other radio that I have already.

Adam Ebel
Virginia Beach, Virginia

3583. Re: [de1103] Need Technical Assistance With Ferrite Rod Connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-10-18 22:31:23 UTC
From: John Greusel
Topic: 3581 Message: 3583

Adam,Maybe these photos will help.
JohnKC9OJV

たまごの電子工作メモ: 中華ラジオDEGEN DE1103 音質改善改造

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| たまごの電子工作メモ: 中華ラジオDEGEN DE1103 音...去年の夏に購入した愛好者3号DE1103。スピーカの音質は良いのにどうも音割れして聴きづらいのでなかなか使う機会もなく放置状態でした。東京に引っ... |
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| View on tamagomemo.blogsp... | Preview by Yahoo |
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From: "gccengineering@yahoo.com [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, October 18, 2015 2:14 AM
Subject: [de1103] Need Technical Assistance With Ferrite Rod Connection

I was trying to look at the defective KA-1103 which was the gray one to see what is wrong with it, and I needed to reconnect the thin litz wires to the board. Which wires go where back on the board.
On the board I see ANT 1, ANT 2, and ANT 3, but I don't know where the red thin wire goes and the coupling pick up coil where there are only 2 turns of wire. I tried to study the schematic, but it does not say ANT 1, 2 and 3 on the schematic diagram.
I am trying to restore the receiver after I get the right technical data to reconnect the ferrite rod antenna.
Please let me know, Thanks!
Adam EbelVirginia Beach, Virginia

3584. Re: Need Technical Assistance With Ferrite Rod Connection

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-10-19 10:48:15 UTC
From: policow6@...
Topic: 3581 Message: 3584

The DE-1103/KA-1103 have undergone several changes during production so the differences you note may be due to date of production rather than Kaito versus Degen labels. For example, the models from a year or two ago suffer form a bit of digital noise on AM which was not present on the original versions. There is a very good likelihood that the chips have changed and that could account for different windings on the ferrite to match the new chip's input characteristics.

Jay
http://radiojayallen.com

3585. Eton E5 no receive

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-11-04 09:51:51 UTC
From: heetee357@...
Topic: 3585 Message: 3585

Hi I bought a E5 a few years ago from value village but it did not work.
It just had hiss sound.
I opened it and found ZS1 to be extremely hot and thought it was bad.
I shelved it and today finally got a replacement 3v regulator.
It too was hotter than a firecracker so I stated yanking caps and found C406 was the culprit.
When I first installed the new regulator, the radio worked after I bumped the tuning knob but the frequency drifted and that's when I discovered the regulator was hot.

So after replacing C406 the unit works great on FM, its on right now as I type this but the entire HF band is deaf.
I tried my CB on 27.385 and could just barely hear a muffled garbled signal.

The S meter does nothing in this situation and on FM it will not work either.

Changing the 220uF caps was very difficult on this radio and I had no luck getting HF to work.

What could be the trouble?
Would FM work if the FET Q1 was popped?

Any advice would be appreciated, thanks.

Thanks for letting me in also,

73's

Chris

3586. Re: [de1103] RE: Degen 1103 strangely dead after changing to new batteries

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-11-20 19:52:43 UTC
From: Ramiro Aceves
Topic: 3364 Message: 3586

Hello,

After two years of perfect working radio after resurrection, yesterday I removed batteries for charging and ended again with a deaf radio in all bands, MW, SW and FM. I could not hear anything. Volume control worked and I could hear a background hiss. The hiss was the same for all modes, FM, MW and SW.

I have pressed the RESET buttons several times and still does not work.

I have opened the receiver, removed the shielding metal as I did before and shorted to ground every microprocessor pin. The Degen has come to life again. Some microprocessor pins mantain two or three hundred of millivolts after the radio is switched off too long time.

I seems that this resurrection procedure works.

Regards, Ramiro, EA4NZ.

El 31/07/14 a las 16:11, Ramiro Aceves escribió:
> Just to say that after 7 months my Degen is working fine after the
> resurrection.
>
> Regards.
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> Ramiro, EA4NZ
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> 2013-11-08 23:19 GMT+01:00 Ramiro Aceves <ea1abz@...
> <mailto:ea1abz@...>>:
>
> El 01/11/13 22:36, kb8dns@... <mailto:kb8dns@...> escribió:
>
> Nice photos and nice fix for the "lock up" fault!
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>
> Thanks. I would like to test the "repair procedure" in another
> receiver to see if if works. At least it worked here. My Degen is
> working fine !
>
> 73, Ramiro. EA4NZ.
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>
> Looking at the photos I see the same over burden of solder
> flux and
> dust as there is with my Degen and Gundig G3, kind of a sloppy
> way to
> treat a radio and points to cheap assembly and poor quality control.
>
> I am wondering if the stuff was cleaned up, there would be no
> "crosstalk" with the CPU signals?
>
>
> 73 Rod KB8DNS
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>
> ---In de1103@yahoogroups.com <mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com>,
> <greenbrier614@...> wrote:
>
> Sorry for the false start, Ramiro, but it quite an optical
> illusion.
> Given what I've found in some of their radios, it wouldn't have
> surprised me.
>
>
> Nelson
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> ---In de1103@yahoogroups.com <mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com>,
> <ea1abz@...> wrote:
>
> Oh, no, sorry for the picture. It is a photo illusion. It is
> actually a
> drop of glue. The light refraction on the edge of the drop causes a
> false illusion that the board is broken, but is not. I think...
>
> Thanks.
> Ramiro
> EA4NZ
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> El 30/10/2013 04:30, <greenbrier614@... <mailto:greenbrier614@
> <mailto:greenbrier614@>...>>
> escribió:
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> __
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> Ramiro,
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> Excellent detective work. I'll try this on my G5 or
> G3 if
> they ever become unresponsive.
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>
> Btw, did you notice the horizontal crack in the
> processor
> board just above the crystal in picture 3? It
> nearly cuts
> through the ground foil.
>
>
> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/__degen-03.jpg
> <http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-03.jpg>
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>
> There's a vertical scratch where it looks like it
> took a
> hit. Great QC at Degen.
>
>
> Nelson
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> ---In de1103@yahoogroups.com
> <mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com>
>
> <mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com
> <mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com>__>, <ea1abz@...> wrote:
>
> Hello!
>
> I left my Degen 1103 for 5 days without batteries.
> It did
> not work. I
> was about leaving it for 1 month resting period. I
> could not
> wait....
>
> Tired of blind testing, I opened the receiver.
> Removed the
> dial cables,
> the ribon cable and desoldered the speaker cable.
> Removed the
> microprocessor board shield.
>

> I measured some voltage at some main microprocessor
> pin.
> Something like
> 200 mV. I shorted to GND every microprocesor pin. I
> shorted
> to GND
> everything I was able to.
>
> I also shorted to GND some pins of the TA2057 in
> the analog
> board
> (probably of no interest).
>
> I assembled the receiver again.
>
> The receiver has come to life again!
>
>
> You can see pictures at:
>
> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/__degen-01.jpg
> <http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-01.jpg>
> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/__degen-02.jpg
> <http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-02.jpg>
> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/__degen-03.jpg
> <http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-03.jpg>
> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/__degen-04.jpg
> <http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-04.jpg>
> (horrible diode soldering)
> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/__degen-05.jpg
> <http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen-05.jpg>
> http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/__degen.mp4
> <http://ea4nz.ure.es/degen/degen.mp4>
>
> Thanks to all.
>
> Ramiro.
> EA4NZ
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> El 22/10/13 23:02, Ramiro Aceves escribió:
>
> > I also did all sort of reset combinations, with
> batteries, without
> > batteries, with the AC charger, without it...
> >
> > I will try again on the week end. My degen is

> resting now without
> > batteries....
> >
> > El 22/10/2013 08:57, "Ramiro Aceves"
> <ea1abz@... <mailto:ea1abz@ <mailto:ea1abz@>...>
> > <mailto:ea1abz@ <mailto:ea1abz@>...
> <mailto:ea1abz@ <mailto:ea1abz@>...>>> escribió:
>
> >
> > Thanks to all for your hints and tips.
> > I tried after a 28 h resting and still do
> not work. I am going to
> > wait till the week end....
> >
> > El 21/10/2013 11:35, "Martin" <kb0hae@...
> <mailto:kb0hae@ <mailto:kb0hae@>...>
> > <mailto:kb0hae@ <mailto:kb0hae@>...
> <mailto:kb0hae@ <mailto:kb0hae@>...>>> escribió:
>
> >
> > Hi. I would try a reset several
> times both with and without the
> > batteries. And if it does start
> working, plug it in with the
> > wall wart
> > when changing batteries! I use NiMH
> batteries and charge them
> > in the
> > radio.
> >
> > A friend had a G5 that worked fine.
> He was taking the batteries
> > out and
> > charging them without plugging the
> wall wart into the radio
> > first. He
> > is blind, so can't see to charge
> batteries in the radio. After one
> > battery charge, when he put the
> batteries in, the radio would
> > work on
> > SW, but not on FM. No matter what we
> tried, the radio got
> > progressively
> > worse. Now it might or might not
> start working after being on
> > for 10-15
> > minutes. It lights but no frequency
> display, and no audio, not
> > even a

> > slight hiss. It is now in a closet
> here as a parts radio as the
> > case,
> > antenna, etc are good.
> >
> > I believe that this could have been
> avoided if he had plugged in the
> > radio before taking out the
> batteries, and left it plugged in
> > until the
> > batteries were charged and back in
> the radio. Some of the
> > Kaito/Degen
> > 1103 and E5/G5 radios seem to be
> sensitive to some sort of power
> > surge
> > when batteries are removed and new or
> freshly charged batteries are
> > inserted.
> >
> > TTYL
> >
> > On 10/21/2013 01:56 AM, Ramiro Aceves
> wrote:
> > > Interesting. I bought mine 2 years
> ago.
> > >
> > > This loooong waiting procedure is
> horrible. Each time you
> > fail you must
> > > start again. If you are not
> patient enough it is a nightmare.
> > > The problem is that I do not know
> if I must wait for 1 day or
> > 5! :-)
> > >
> > > I do not know if my dear receiver
> has died for ever.
> > >
> > > 73, Ramiro.
> > > EA4NZ
> > > El 20/10/2013 20:08, "Luigi
> > Candurro"<luigi.candurro@...
> <mailto:luigi.candurro@ <mailto:luigi.candurro@>...>
> > <mailto:luigi.candurro@
> <mailto:luigi.candurro@>... <mailto:luigi.candurro@
> <mailto:luigi.candurro@>...>>>
>
> > > escribió:
> > >

> > >> **
> > >>
> > >>
> > >> I'm trying to figure out if the
> last release of the
> > receiver, which shows
> > >> some HW changes with respect to
> the previous releases, has
> > been improved
> > >> about the battery change issue. I
> bought the receiver last
> > month, and I
> > >> have removed and replaced
> batteries (rechargeable type)
> > several times till
> > >> now, but I had to use the reset
> button just 2 or 3 times.
> > >> No wait for capacitor discharge.
> > >> Till now... ;-)
> > >>
> > >> Luigi
> > >>
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> > >>
> > >> Il 20/10/2013 19:22, Gary Sargent
> ha scritto:
> > >>
> > >>
> > >>
> > >> Like a few other reply’s, I’ve
> only have the batteries out
> > of my 1103 a
> > >> few times (I use rechargeables)
> .. but each time I had to do
> > the reset to
> > >> bring the radio back to life. I
> don’t recall being patient
> > enogh to just
> > >> wait an extended time with the
> batteries out. So I try to
> > not take the
> > >> batteries out!****
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> > >> ** **
> > >>
> > >> Good luck!****
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> > >> ** **
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> > >> KE8WO****

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> > Martin Campbell
> > A Satisfied Aptosid Linux user! To
> get Aptosid go to:
> >www.aptosid.com <http://www.aptosid.com>
> <http://www.aptosid.com>
> <http://www.aptosid.com>
> > "Those who would give up Essential
> Liberty to purchase a little
> > Temporary Safety, deserve neither
> Liberty nor Safety." Benjamin
> > Franklin (1818). Best privacy
> policy: Never Ever entrust your
> > data to
> > anyone but yourself!!!
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> > Yahoo! Groups Links
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> <mailto:de1103-fullfeatured@__yahoogroups.com
> <mailto:de1103-fullfeatured@yahoogroups.com>
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3587. KAITO 1103 - BEING DISCONTINUED????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-11-21 18:09:56 UTC
From: BikePackin@...
Topic: 3587 Message: 3587

I have learned from credible sources that the Kaito 1103 is or has been discontinued.
Is the same happening to the Degen 1103?
Thanks.
P.S. PLEASE FORGIVE ME IF this topic has previously been covered .... I do monitor the DE1103/KA1103 messages pretty closely and have not noted it.

3588. Re: KAITO 1103 - BEING DISCONTINUED????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-11-21 18:24:23 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 3587 Message: 3588

That news would interest me very much!
Still VERRY satisfied with my DE1103!!!
Bruno in Belgium
@Rod Wallberg: Do you know more about this?

MvG, Best regards, Meilleures salutations, Mit freundlichen Grussen, Bruno Geuth Certified Consultant J.D.Edwards Financials since 1991 Certified SAP Business Applications since 2009 Financial Consultant since 1987 Mobile: +32 476 837928 +32 487 516406 Office: +32 16 893013

3589. Re: [de1103] KAITO 1103 - BEING DISCONTINUED????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-11-21 18:35:14 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3587 Message: 3589

On 21 November 2015 at 18:09, BikePackin@... [de1103] <
de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

> I have learned from credible sources that the Kaito 1103 is or has been
> discontinued.
>

What are your credible sources?

> Is the same happening to the Degen 1103?
>

Ask them about the Degen.

My feeling is, we'll never have an official announcement, as the Degen was
made for the Chinese market.

3590. Re: [de1103] KAITO 1103 - BEING DISCONTINUED????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-11-21 18:59:14 UTC
From: j.sandy19@...
Topic: 3587 Message: 3590

Andi provides detailed info and photos of the new Degen DE1103 DSP Andi provides detailed info and photos of the new Degen DE1103 DSP http://swling.com/blog/2015/11/andi-provides-detailed-info-and-photos-of-the-new-degen-de1103-dsp/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+TheSwlingPost+%28The+SWLing+Post%29

http://swling.com/blog/2015/11/andi-provides-detailed-info-and-photos-of-the-new-degen-de1103-dsp/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+TheSwlingPost+%28The+SWLing+Post%29

Andi provides detailed info and photos of the new D... http://swling.com/blog/2015/11/andi-provides-detailed-info-and-photos-of-the-new-degen-de1103-dsp/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+TheSwlingPost+%28The+SWLing+Post%29 Regarding the new DSP version of the Degen DE1103, SWLing Post contributor, Andi_84, writes: I've opened [my Degen DE1103] and ch...

View on swling.com http://swling.com/blog/2015/11/andi-provides-detailed-info-and-photos-of-the-new-degen-de1103-dsp/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+TheSwlingPost+%28The+SWLing+Post%29
Preview by Yahoo

3591. Re: [de1103] KAITO 1103 - BEING DISCONTINUED????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-11-21 19:23:12 UTC
From: Leon Heller
Topic: 3587 Message: 3591

On 21/11/2015 18:59, j.sandy19@... [de1103] wrote:
>
> Andi provides detailed info and photos of the new Degen DE1103 DSP

I've just ordered one - $55 + $24 shipping:

http://www.ebay.co.uk/itm/291593519989?_trksid=p2060353.m2749.l2649&ssPageName=STRK%3AMEBIDX%3AIT

73, Leon
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Leon Heller
G1HSM

3592. Re: [de1103] KAITO 1103 - BEING DISCONTINUED????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-11-21 19:59:49 UTC
From: j.sandy19@...
Topic: 3587 Message: 3592

Looking forward to hearing how your new radio preforms, my 5yr. old Ka1103 still works well...Joe..

3593. Re: KAITO 1103 - BEING DISCONTINUED????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-11-21 21:06:01 UTC
From: a1aop@...
Topic: 3587 Message: 3593

Looks like it's just been upgraded. I have two of the old ones, one had the blown JFET issue that I was able to fix. I thought often of pairing it up with a QRP transmitter. I believe it has been done. Got a lot of non-started radio projects here.

3594. Re: KAITO 1103 - BEING DISCONTINUED????

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-11-22 11:01:22 UTC
From: Sean Gilbert (G4UCJ)
Topic: 3587 Message: 3594

Looking at this DSP version, it seems they are not using the DSP chip to it's fullest - by a long way. The one thing I was looking forward to, over the analogue DE1103 that I have, is the ability to select multiple bandwidths. It looks like you have a choice of just the standard wide and narrow. If the same bandwidths are kept as now, that would be OK for AM, but not sufficient for SSB. You need a narrower filter for decent SSB reception on a busy band (say 2.4kHz), and a narrow filter of, say, 500Hz for CW would make this a rather nice radio. The DSP chip can do that I believe. There are portables out there that offer multiple DSP bandwidths. It says the DSP also supports RDS, but it is not implemented in this version. If it is not implemented, then switchable FM filters would be a useful feature (say 80, 100, 130 and 200kHz, or even just 100 & 200kHz).

Even though the DE1103 is quirky and has odd ergonomics, I still really like mine and it is my preferred 'take along' radio when I am travelling.

73, Sean

3595. New DE1103 DSP version

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-11-23 10:13:12 UTC
From: leon355@...
Topic: 3595 Message: 3595

The new DE1103 with the Silicon Labs Si4735 chip that I ordered from bigbargainonline http://myworld.ebay.com/bigbargainonline has been shipped. I should get it in 2-3 weeks.

Most DE1103 suppliers on Ebay seem to be supplying the old version.

73, Leon
G1HSM

3596. Re: KAITO 1103 - BEING DISCONTINUE...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-11-27 20:34:40 UTC
From: j.sandy19@...
Topic: 3596 Message: 3596

The New Degen DE1103 DSP: First impressions & review http://feedproxy.google.com/%7Er/TheSwlingPost/%7E3/0-iv0YakLJE/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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3597. Re: [de1103] Re: KAITO 1103 - BEING DISCONTINUE...

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-11-27 21:37:37 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3596 Message: 3597

Good! So I'll stay with my current Degen!

My next radio will be a homemade one.

On Friday, 27 November 2015, j.sandy19@... [de1103] <
de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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3598. My New de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-12-02 12:33:53 UTC
From: D R
Topic: 3598 Message: 3598

blockquote, div.yahoo_quoted { margin-left: 0 !important; border-left:1px #715FFA solid !important; padding-left:1ex !important; background-color:white !important; } Greetings:
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The 1103 is sensitive on SW and AM. I live away from the city, in a development with no rf and with buried power lines so there is no interference. This little radio with just an indoor long-wire picks up a lot of faint stations as well as amateur. The SSB is easy to use. AM is amazing for DX and even considering the propagation has been in the tubes lately. This little guy can really pull things out of the air.
I can see why this radio is so popular around the world, and not just the price point. I like radios that are fun and this one is a lot of fun to use. I don't know what the previous version was like before the DSP, maybe I'll try to pick up one used. The review made my heart sink a little when I read it, but Iater after receving mine and a few days of playing with it I would not sell this radio quirks, images, less than great ergonomics and all. My 1103 is a keeper.
D. Raff

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPad

3599. Re: [de1103] My New de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-12-03 10:30:04 UTC
From: hardrain
Topic: 3598 Message: 3599

Thank you very much for your interesting review.

Raffaello

Il 02/12/2015 13:33, D R ny9000@... [de1103] ha scritto:
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3600. Re: [de1103] My New de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-12-03 19:04:35 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 3598 Message: 3600

Please tell us about the new selectivity options which are the new features of their DSP implementation.

73

Horacio
Uruguay

3601. First impressions and remarks on the DE1103 DSP

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-12-25 17:50:50 UTC
From: jeanlucfradet@...
Topic: 3601 Message: 3601

Hi everyone,
I just received this radio, hoping it would be the old highly praised version, and unfortunately it was the new DSP version about which I had not read too much good.

A few things I have noticed : It works OK when entering a frequency with the keypad or or one stored in the memory but very unpleasant to tune in because of the « soft tuning » and the sharp volume increase when you are on the exact frequency. But it must be the same with all DSP receivers I suppose, and it takes time to get used to it when you are accustomed to smooth analog tuning of the old days.
I have not remarked overloading or bleed through from strong local AM stations because there aren't many AM stations in France (and none at all after december 31 !)
I do not like the unique 1 khz step. Why not have implemented 1 - 5 - 9 – 10 kHz selectable steps like on any other radio ?
I also regret the only two selectable IF bandwidths of 4 and 6 khz. 6kHz gives good clear audio, but 4 kHz gives a muffled sound (as should be expected)
Low sensitivity on Long Wave (although much better than the Tecsun PL 380 which is totally deaf !) Noisy reception of BBC radio 4 here in central France, a station which usually comes loud and clear on any old pocket transistor radio of the 1960's. Also noticed that the signal strength indicator did not work at all on LW even with a 2 megawatt station 60 kms from here. The external antenna does not work for LW and MW, by the way. Only the internal (and presumably very small) ferrite antenna works.
Medium Wave sensitivity is OK . I was indeed surprised to catch the Caribbean Beacon on 1610 kHz and Faro de Santidad on 1660 yesterday morning.
Shortwave sensitivity is quite good. Yesterday I was listening to Radio Australia on 12065 and Radio New Zealand on 9700 with only ONE SECTION of the telescopic antenna.
SSB works and is quite pleasant to listen to once you have managed to clarify with the BFO, which requires a lot of patience. There is also a loud noise produced by this BFO at half course, probably because of the one kHz jump.
Ergonomics is quirky. The only knob for tuning and volume is certainly not the best concept. Nor is the useless fake analog style dial. This space could have been used to display more useful information.
Nothing special about the FM band. It works perfectly well like on any radio.

In short, this small radio is very nice to look at and fun to use. It just takes a bit of time to get used to its quirkiness ! And if it can receive Australia, New Zealand and transatlantic DX on MW I will certainly keep it and not send it back like I did for the Tecsun PL 380 (the worst radio I've ever tested although highly acclaimed !)

73 de Jean-Luc (QTH central France)

3602. KA1103 audio improvement

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-12-26 13:54:17 UTC
From: Jim B
Topic: 3602 Message: 3602

I have always been fully satisfied with the AM and FM DX capabilities of the radio, but I found it very difficult to listen to weak stations through the speaker. Yesterday I plugged some ccrane cc buds ear phones into it and the audio sounded 100% better. It is crisp and clear and much quieter. Was debating whether to take it on an upcoming trip, but now there is no doubt it will be going. I have had these ear buds for almost a year, but for some reason never tried them on this radio. Jim

3603. Re: [de1103] My New de1103

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2015-12-29 00:07:14 UTC
From: martin_cook@...
Topic: 3598 Message: 3603

In the early version of the DE1101 IMHO there was some confusion about the 'wide/narrow' switch, I suspect brought about by the way that the handbook is written - page 21. The sentence in the middle has nothing to do with the switch, it states that the 1st IF is 55.845MHz and the 2nd IF is 450kHz which is true but badly worded and does not explain what it really does.

There are two ceramic filters at the 450kHz IF, diode switched from the "W/N" switch on AM only, 450KA, U5 and 450KB, U4 - they don't say which is the 6kHz and which is the 4kHz but a block diagram from "Phil" shows it clearly.

On FM all that the "W/N" switch does is add in a bit of top cut to make it sound more bassy, by adding two capacitors across the FM audio lines, C316 and 317, 103pf (I suspect that is 10,000pf)

Perhaps in the new DSP version the wide/narrow function is in the DSP processor, or is the DSP section merely in the audio stages?

Hope Santa bought you some nice goodies to play with.

Cheers - Martin ZL2MC

3604. Is this group still in use ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-01-29 11:59:09 UTC
From: jeanlucfradet@...
Topic: 3604 Message: 3604

Not a single message in one month ..... !!!!!!!! ??????????

3605. Re: Is this group still in use ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-01-29 12:50:35 UTC
From: leon355@...
Topic: 3604 Message: 3605

The last msg before this was dated the 29 December.

Leon
Moderator

3606. Re: [de1103] Is this group still in use ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-01-29 13:19:17 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3604 Message: 3606

Provably nobody is using it any more, or it's so good that it's not worth posting. I have a bit lost interest in mine. I live in an urban environment and reception is plagued by noise. With the good season, I'll probably go the park.

On Friday, 29 January 2016, jeanlucfradet@... [de1103] <
de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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3607. Re: [de1103] Is this group still in use ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-01-29 13:22:55 UTC
From: bruno geuth
Topic: 3604 Message: 3607

I still use my fantastic DE1103! But I read something about a new version?
Bruno in Belgium ON3BGE

MvG, Best regards, Meilleures salutations, Mit freundlichen Grussen, Bruno Geuth Certified Consultant J.D.Edwards Financials since 1991 Certified SAP Business Applications since 2009 Financial Consultant since 1987 Mobile: +32 476 837928 +32 487 516406 Office: +32 16 893013

On Friday, January 29, 2016 12:59 PM, "jeanlucfradet@... [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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3608. Has anybody tried the Degen/Kaito/Kestrel indoor antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-01-29 13:23:23 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3608 Message: 3608

If so, how does it compare with the external wire antenna, especially on the 40m band?

Thanks.

3609. Re: [de1103] Is this group still in use ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-01-29 15:26:48 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 3604 Message: 3609

Is possible to fix the optical encoder or find a replacement for it. Mine gets stucked to a frequency. And rotation of the jog dial doesn't change frequency.

Maybe the grease inside got dry.

73 Horacio Nigro,
Uruguay
El 29/01/2016 10:23, "bruno geuth geuth_consulting@... [de1103]" <
de1103@yahoogroups.com> escribió:

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> Bruno in Belgium
> ON3BGE
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3610. Re: Is this group still in use ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-01-29 17:18:30 UTC
From: j.sandy19@...
Topic: 3604 Message: 3610

I am waiting to see if anyone will post comparisons of the newest 1103 vs. the older model 1103.

I have only seen one. and it seems the older version may be better overall. I always enjoyed this

radio, but use the Tecsun 660 more than my other radios...Joe..

3611. Re: [de1103] Re: Is this group still in use ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-01-29 19:31:06 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 3604 Message: 3611

I have the 1103 and 660, I've found which is the better of the two depends on what you are using it for. On shortwave the two are about the same but on medium wave, the 1103 is more sensitive. As regards FM, the 660 seems to be less prone to overload than the 1103 which in my location is hopeless.

Paul

On 30/01/2016 6:18 a.m., j.sandy19@... [de1103] wrote:
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3612. Re: [de1103] Is this group still in use ?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-01-29 19:55:24 UTC
From: Paul Juarez
Topic: 3604 Message: 3612

I think so. However, there has not been much activity on this forum.
Thank you,
Paul Juarez
Sent from my HP Slate 7 Extreme Tablet

On Jan 29, 2016 5:59 AM, "jeanlucfradet@yahoo.com [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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3613. Re: Has anybody tried the Degen/Kaito/Kestrel indoor antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-01-31 06:36:28 UTC
From: kmakhl@...
Topic: 3608 Message: 3613

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3614. Re: [de1103] Re: Has anybody tried the Degen/Kaito/Kestrel indoor antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-01-31 14:19:27 UTC
From: Paul Juarez
Topic: 3608 Message: 3614

Hi,
Really! If we are talking about the Kaito loop antenna, mine performs very well.
I live in a condo on the 5th floor here in Niles, Illinois. Niles is a suburb of Chicago on the Northwest side. Lot of noise here in my receive location. I set my loop up next to an outside facing window. The only downside was I need to tune to frequency very very slowly. If you don't you will miss the peak of that frequency. It took a little practice. But my expirence is when the antenna is tuned dead on FREQ it removed a lot of the generated interference in the condo and outside QRM from the received frequency. It was the difference between hearing many SSB ham radio QSO's and not hearing them at all. You need to keep the battery ☐ fresh also. If it gets the least bit weak the antenna losses a lot of receiving ability.
I have had very good luck with the Kaito loop. For the money, it beats any indoor wire antenna ☐. Anyways, that's been my experience with the Kaito loop antenna. Hope this helps you in your decision.
Thank you,
Paul Juarez
Sent from my HP Slate 7 Extreme Tablet

On Jan 31, 2016 12:36 AM, "kmakhl@yahoo.com [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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3615. Re: Has anybody tried the Degen/Kaito/Kestrel indoor antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-01-31 16:50:59 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3608 Message: 3615

Wow, conflicting reviews here.

Paul, how did the antenna perform on the 80m bands?

On Sunday, 31 January 2016, Paul Juarez qa1433@... [de1103] <
de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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3616. Re: [de1103] Re: Has anybody tried the Degen/Kaito/Kestrel indoor antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-02-01 06:24:11 UTC
From: robert gorsch
Topic: 3608 Message: 3616

I've used the Kaito loop also. I have moderate problems with local noise interference (TVs, computers, etc.). The loop often gives strikingly good results, a clean signal where other antennas (indoor and outdoor wires) give mainly noise
or a very noisy signal. I don't have a good outdoor wire antenna, only a poorly positioned random of about 40', so I wouldn't be able to compare it properly to a serious outdoor antenna. So sometimes the loop works quite well, depending upon circumstances. I am glad I have it. I don't think it tunes below about 4 mhz., though.
Robert

From: "Paul Juarez qa1433@... [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2016 6:19 AM
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3617. Re: [de1103] Re: Has anybody tried the Degen/Kaito/Kestrel indoor antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-02-01 11:29:36 UTC
From: policow6@...
Topic: 3608 Message: 3617

I'm not sure which loop you're talkign about. Is it the passive AM loop or one the amplified wire loops?

Jay
http://radiojayallen.com

3618. Re: Has anybody tried the Degen/Kaito/Kestrel indoor antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-02-01 15:12:51 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3608 Message: 3618

This one:

http://www.ebay.com/itm/DE31MS-DEGEN-Indoor-Active-Receiver-Soft-Loop-Antenna-for-MW-SW-DE31-/251488672406?hash=item3a8de49a96:g:lzkAAOxyyq5TNTZz

On Monday, 1 February 2016, policow6@...
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3619. Re: [de1103] Re: Has anybody tried the Degen/Kaito/Kestrel indoor antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-02-01 19:26:47 UTC
From: qa1433@...
Topic: 3608 Message: 3619

Hi Ottavio,
I do most of my SSB Ham listing in the evening. I listen mostly to the 75 meter ham band mostly because I can usually catch both sides of the conversations. Again, even 160 meter ham bands seems to be cleaner of my condominium home interference. However, depending on the season there may be more static crashes on the 160 meters ham band.
I find the reception improvement in all SW bands to be greatly improved. However, with my loop I have to tune very slowly and keep the batteries fresh.
I do not have an outside antenna here in the city. The Condominium Association will not allow that. I use to use a long wire strong up inside my radio room near the window. it did improve reception somewhat but the long wire also increased the noise level. So from a DX standpoint there was not much improvement in in the amount of received stations. But with the Kaito loop the noise level is decreased a lot. It allow for radio signals to come through. Plus the signal level is much stronger. I was really surprised because I did not expect much for a $39 loop antenna.
I just tried it because I had a gift certificate from Amazon because of all my orders. So I took the chance. For me it was a positive move. for no more then it cost it has performed very well. It has allowed me to enjoy my favorite hobby.
73's!
Thank you and best regards,
Paul Juarez
Sent from my Dell Inspiron duo PC Android Device

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3620. Re: Has anybody tried the Degen/Kaito/Kestrel indoor antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-02-02 11:12:31 UTC
From: policow6@...
Topic: 3608 Message: 3620

OK. I have tried those and they are OK...they do work but are not among the best. They will often help improve things a bit however. Here is a review I wrote a few years ago which compares it with a Sony ANLP-1 and a reel up wire antenna which is 23 feet long:

SW Loops - Degen DE31 vs. Sony ANLP-1
http://radiojayallen.com/sw-loops-degen-de31-vs-sony-anlp-1/

http://radiojayallen.com/sw-loops-degen-de31-vs-sony-anlp-1/

SW Loops - Degen DE31 vs. Sony ANLP-1
http://radiojayallen.com/sw-loops-degen-de31-vs-sony-anlp-1/ Degen DE31 vs. Sony ANLP-1 Degen DE31 vs. Sony ANLP-1 Active Shortwave Loop Antennas I just finished a few days of comparisons between the inexpensiv...

View on radiojayallen.com http://radiojayallen.com/sw-loops-degen-de31-vs-sony-anlp-1/
Preview by Yahoo

Jay

3621. Re: [de1103] Re: Has anybody tried the Degen/Kaito/Kestrel indoor antenna?

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-02-02 18:13:07 UTC
From: Paul Juarez
Topic: 3608 Message: 3621

Hi Jay,
Good review. I am 67 years old. So spending $100 for antenna ☐ might get my wife in a very bad mood. You know the old saying, Happy wife, Happy life.
But your review is right on. Thank you and best regards. 73 's and good DXing.
I have been looking at your other reviews. Nice, wish I knew about your site earlier. Nice! ☐ ☐
Thank you,
Paul Juarez
Sent from my HP Slate 7 Extreme Tablet

On Feb 2, 2016 5:12 AM, "policow6@comcast.net [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

OK. I have tried those and they are OK...they do work but are not among the best. They will often help improve things a bit however. Here is a review I wrote a few years ago which compares it with a Sony ANLP-1 and a reel up wire antenna which is 23 feet long:

SW Loops - Degen DE31 vs. Sony ANLP-1
(http://radiojayallen.com/sw-loops-degen-de31-vs-sony-anlp-1/)

(http://radiojayallen.com/sw-loops-degen-de31-vs-sony-anlp-1/)

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Degen DE31 vs. Sony ANLP-1 Degen DE31 vs. Sony ANLP-1 Active Shortwave Loop Antennas I just finished a few days of comparisons between the inexpensiv...

View on radiojayallen.com (http://radiojayallen.com/sw-loops-degen-de31-vs-sony-anlp-1/)

Preview by Yahoo

Jay

3622. Re: First impressions and remarks on the DE1103 DSP

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-02-02 19:57:13 UTC
From: jeanlucfradet@...
Topic: 3601 Message: 3622

Hi everyone,

I'm glad to see this group is still in use !
But sorry to see no one has any comments on the new DSP version.
Maybe nobody has got one ...

Jean-Luc

PS Latest news on mine : the plastic stand at the back broke after one month of use ;-((

3623. Re: First impressions and remarks on the DE1103 DSP

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-02-02 23:54:04 UTC
From: ny9000@...
Topic: 3601 Message: 3623

Jean-Luc:

I hope I am not breaking any rules but anon-co has replacement back stands for the 1103 for 4.99 with free shipping. They also have replacement battery doors, and though they are not listed you can get replacement switches (like DX/local) which they will send for free but you have to contact them by email. Anon-co is Essy to find on Google.

I have the DSP version. I like it but it it mutes like most DSP radios if you are not used to DSP radios you may not like it. I've had fun DX-ing MW with it. It has images from local stations bleed through if you set it at local when you get an image they tend to dissappear. I have the traditional 1103 and I love this quirky radio and the DSP version.

D Raff

3624. Re: [de1103] Re: First impressions and remarks on the DE1103 DSP

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-02-03 14:32:02 UTC
From: Paul Juarez
Topic: 3601 Message: 3624

Hi Dave Raff,
Nice to here your evaluation of the de1103 DSP. I almost bought it. However, I read ☐ about the image issue with the radio ☐. So I bought the Duel Conversion ka1103. I have been pleased with the radio.
However, I plan on doing the Modifications to it as per the Russian radio site. All in all it is a very good receiver.
Thank you,
Paul Juarez
Sent from my HP Slate 7 Extreme Tablet

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D Raff

3625. Re: First impressions and remarks on the DE1103 DSP

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-02-09 13:31:07 UTC
From: jeanlucfradet@...
Topic: 3601 Message: 3625

Hi D Raff,

Thanks for the info about the back stand. If I don't manage to fix mine, I'll order one but you have to admit it is very fragile and may break easily.
I have no problems with local AM stations because there aren't any left in this country !
73

JL

3626. Re: [de1103] Re: First impressions and remarks on the DE1103 DSP

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-02-09 18:44:37 UTC
From: miike mc manus
Topic: 3601 Message: 3626

On 2/9/2016 8:31 AM, jeanlucfradet@... [de1103] wrote:
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> mine, I'll order one but you have to admit it is very fragile and may
> break easily.
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> left in this country !
> 73
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> JL
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Hello

The backstand on my Kaito 1103 broke years ago but the radio is rugged.
Mike

3627. 1103 tunes through unprogrammed memories

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-03-23 23:03:07 UTC
From: a1aop@...
Topic: 3627 Message: 3627

Hi all,

I have two 1103s. the older one jogs through the programmed memories in a continuous loop. The newer one for some reason continues on through the unprogrammed memory positions. I've had these radios for sometime but only noticed this now because the newer one was in storage and not used much. It's annoying since I consider this radio to be the best one in my small collection of small portables.

I've checked the manual but I didn't see this issue addressed unless I missed it. There are no mods done on this radio. Maybe something got turned on or off on initial setup? Any ideas?

Jerry.

3628. Spare parts

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-04-13 00:29:17 UTC
From: grant@...
Topic: 3628 Message: 3628

The knob fell off my DE1103 but I did not notice that until sometime later. Are replacement parts, especially the knob, available anywhere?

Thanks,

Grant.

3629. Re: Spare parts

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-04-13 23:06:14 UTC
From: a1aop@...
Topic: 3628 Message: 3629

eBay is a possibility.

3630. Re: Spare parts

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-04-13 23:18:29 UTC
From: a1aop@...
Topic: 3628 Message: 3630

Come to think of it, when searching there or anywhere for that matter, check for replacements for the Eton E5 and the Grundig G3 and G5 . They should fit also. I personally wouldn't be averse to experimenting with the appropriate size small plastic cap and getting creative with some mold-able epoxy to form the female end.

3631. Re: [de1103] Re: Spare parts

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-04-13 23:28:35 UTC
From: The Simpsons
Topic: 3628 Message: 3631

I searched EBay and generally through Google but could not find any source. There is one company advertising replacement battery cover and tilt stand. I just received a reply from them and they are now listing the knob. I ordered one as well as the pouch they have. Will see how successful they are and let the group know.
I want to keep it original if possible otherwise I imagine something could be found to do the job. If I had a 3D printer, perhaps I could make my own.

This is where I ordered from:
http://www.anon-co.com

Grant, ZL2BK.

3632. RE: [de1103] Re: Spare parts

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-04-14 05:48:49 UTC
From: Paul R
Topic: 3628 Message: 3632

Expect the goods to arrive within a week. They’re an excellent company to deal with.

Paul

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com]
Sent: Thursday, 14 April 2016 11:29 a.m.
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Spare parts

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Grant, ZL2BK.

3633. RE: [de1103] Re: Spare parts

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-04-14 21:29:27 UTC
From: a1aop@...
Topic: 3628 Message: 3633

I couldn't find where they are located. China?

3634. Re: [de1103] Re: Spare parts

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-04-14 21:43:33 UTC
From: The Simpsons
Topic: 3628 Message: 3634

I believe they are in Hong Kong. The parts have been shipped through HongKong post.

Grant.

From: mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2016 9:29 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [de1103] Re: Spare parts

I couldn't find where they are located. China?

3635. RE: [de1103] Re: Spare parts

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-04-15 00:32:57 UTC
From: Paul R
Topic: 3628 Message: 3635

They are in Hong Kong.

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com]
Sent: Friday, 15 April 2016 9:44 a.m.
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Spare parts

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Sent: Friday, April 15, 2016 9:29 AM

To: de1103@yahoogroups.com

Subject: RE: [de1103] Re: Spare parts

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3636. Re: [de1103] Re: Spare parts

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-04-15 01:01:38 UTC
From: Horacio Nigro
Topic: 3628 Message: 3636

Thanks for the thread here. After reading these interesting postings I decided to inquire for the eventual availability of a replacement part for my DE1103's optoencoder (not working properly after 8 years of use.. I bought the set in 2006 in Europe). I got an immediate reply from Anna, that that would be possible. Here's her response:

*We may be able to send you a replacement for the tuning encoder of your DE1103, but we do have a question about what your current encoder looks like. At some point the manufacturer changed the tuning encoder of the DE1103, so we need to make sure that we have the encoder you need for your radio in stock. Would you be able to open your radio and make a photo of the encoder? We can then confirm to you if we have it available or not. *
So, you see... Nice people!

73 Horacio Nigro, Uruguay.

2016-04-14 21:32 GMT-03:00 'Paul R' format3nz@... [de1103] <
de1103@yahoogroups.com>:

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Horacio Nigro
CX3BZ
"La Galena del Sur" <http://lagalenadelsur.wordpress.com/>
Montevideo
Uruguay

3637. Re: Spare parts

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-04-17 22:55:31 UTC
From: a1aop@...
Topic: 3628 Message: 3637

You are correct Horacio, nice people indeed to offer such detailed help. Rare in the small portable SW radio world I would think.

I imagine you would have to send the part number on your units encoder or email them a picture of the disassembled part. I envy you your skill if you attempt the replacement. I have a replacement encoder sitting here for small HF transceiver. After looking over the very fine de-soldering and soldering I would have to do I lost confidence in a successful outcome. I just endure the skittish multi function knob. If it totally goes then I'll attempt the repair.

Good Luck if you attempt the replacement.

73

Jerry N3HAM

3638. RE: [de1103] Re: Spare parts

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-04-19 23:51:55 UTC
From: Paul R
Topic: 3628 Message: 3638

Hey Grant

Thanks to you I see Anon & Co have a new product on their website http://www.anon-co.com/product/de1103tk I lost mine when moving house but fortunately found it.

Paul, ZL2UCI

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com]
Sent: Thursday, 14 April 2016 11:29 a.m.
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [de1103] Re: Spare parts

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Grant, ZL2BK.

3639. Re: [de1103] Re: Spare parts

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-04-20 03:10:55 UTC
From: The Simpsons
Topic: 3628 Message: 3639

I received the knob and soft pouch for the radio a few days ago. Quick service and the knob fits perfectly. Anon did say they would add the knob to their web site and good to see thay have. I suspect they will add more parts as people find them and make enquiries about other parts.
The soft pouch fits well so will help protect the radio but won't stop the knob getting knocked off of the radio. The pouch has Grundig G3 on it but I can live with that.

Grant, ZL2BK.

From: mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2016 11:51 AM
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [de1103] Re: Spare parts

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Grant, ZL2BK.

3640. Re: [de1103] Re: Spare parts

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-04-22 22:43:52 UTC
From: a1aop@...
Topic: 3628 Message: 3640

Don't know what it is with that knob and why it keeps falling off, had that happen to me on a trip this week. Luckily it was still in the pouch I use to carry it and an 1102. Must be the shallow receptacle.
I use a G5 pouch for my E10 when I want to bring a radio with more room filling audio.

3641. DE1103 stuck on Telescopic whip below 1700 khz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-05-06 16:23:58 UTC
From: peterconway.ndb@...
Topic: 3641 Message: 3641

I have 2 DE1103 rx's and pleased with them.
1 now has a problem with one where the telescopic whip is active on all frequencies LW/MW and I cannot clear this problem. Tried the reset button.
I know that you can scan down below 1700 Khz and memorise a channel - which then has the whip active. But I seem to have the opposite and can't get back to just using the ferrite rod on the MW/LW !

Any help?

Peter

3642. Re: DE1103 stuck on Telescopic whip below 1700 khz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-05-08 00:23:19 UTC
From: martin_cook@...
Topic: 3641 Message: 3642

[quote from one of the files...].

Originally in the factory version, when tuning below 1710 kHz the ferrite antenna is always connected, the whip antenna in this case is disconnected. The same rule remains in "the opened" DE1103 when tuning frequencies under 1710 kHz in the usual manner (straight frequency recall from memory or using the range change buttons). But if we "enter" the extended frequency below the 100 kHz range via the memory recall at the "low" frequency, then going into manual tuning by repeatedly pushing the "M/F" knob, as it was described above, this tuning method will use the whip antenna. Then by tuning using the knob to raise the frequency, the whip antenna remains connected. However, the radio goes back to the ferrite antenna when you tune at frequencies below 1710kHz using the normal method (by recalling memory or by changing the range.

[unquote]
This was translated from the original Russian, so is subject to some 'translation' difficulties....

3643. Re: Spare parts

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-04-26 08:46:28 UTC
From: cristian_puddu@...
Topic: 3628 Message: 3643

Hi,
I bought this "Encoder 5 V/DC 0.01 A 360 ° ALPS STEC11B04" and "rotary knob plastic DK13-164/A.6" by site Conrad.com
Unfortunately It is too long, but you can cut with a hacksaw!
Can you see my old Degen modified : http://i.imgur.com/M4ISket.jpg?1
http://i.imgur.com/M4ISket.jpg?1

http://i.imgur.com/M4ISket.jpg?1

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View on i.imgur.com http://i.imgur.com/M4ISket.jpg?1
Preview by Yahoo

Cristian

---In de1103@yahoogroups.com, <grant@...> wrote :

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Thanks,

Grant.

3644. Re: [de1103] Re: DE1103 stuck on Telescopic whip below 1700 khz

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-05-09 20:55:32 UTC
From: Peter
Topic: 3641 Message: 3644

Thanks for reply.

My problem is the whip is connected permanently - on all frequencies!
I want to use the ferrite on MW/LW
Tuning up, down or resetting does not help

On 08/05/2016 00:23, martin_cook@... [de1103] wrote:
> [quote from one of the files...].
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3645. SDR

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-06-19 00:10:28 UTC
From: lino-almeida
Topic: 3306 Message: 3645

I want to start on sdr . who help me starting

with Degen.Is it possible???

73

lino

3646. KA1103 going off calibration

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-06-19 01:26:13 UTC
From: Cekart Moezher
Topic: 3646 Message: 3646

Hello, I have been a member of this group a long time, and I thank everyone who has posted something because i learned from you gys, a lot. This time is my turn to ask for help though.I bought a KA1103 back in 2011, so it is the old model, do not know specifically which one because i have never opened it. I had not used it for a long time, almost a year i think, but the other night a storm left my whole neighborhood without power so I thought it was a great time for some DXing. So I turn on the radio and started to tune to some stations, and I noticed it was off by .05 mhz on FM, meaning if the station was on 102.9mhz, I could only get it to sound right at 102.85mhz, if I went to 102.9mhz, it started to sound like I was starting to go away from the freq "center" so to speak. so I changed to MW, but did not see any noticeable changes there. Then changed to SW, and noticed that when tuning to a station, there is a buzzing sound like when you are on SSB and are aproaching a strong station signal, but the SSB switch was off, so if I turn it on, the sound almost goes away, but not completely.
That is why I think the "calibration" of the tuning may be off, the thing is that it seems to be affecting only FM and SW (so far). I suspected the antenna processing had something to do, because MW uses the ferrite antenna, so I pulled the trick where you make the radio use the telescopic antenna on MW, but did not see any change, and also tried with 3 different external antennas (magnetic loop, random wire, and an active loop) to no avail.
Might the crystals be getting "old" or something?
73, ckrt

3647. Re: SDR

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-06-20 04:21:57 UTC
From: kb8dns@...
Topic: 3306 Message: 3647

The SDR would need to sample the IF at the higher frequency of 55.845 mHz on the DE-1103. A buffer stage would also be needed to allow this sampling without affecting the tuning ability of the Degen. Much can be found by doing a search for input buffers.
One set up one would have to adjust the software to have the correct frequency shown or sampled. Here is a page that lists many SDR software programs....

http://www.rtl-sdr.com/big-list-rtl-sdr-supported-software/
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SDR# is one of the more common programs used and is simple to use. I would recomend the use of shielded or screened antenna feed lines to lesson the chance of RFI from the computer and hook-ups from getting into the receiver.

73 Rod KB8DNS

3648. Re: KA1103 going off calibration

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-06-20 05:24:47 UTC
From: kb8dns@...
Topic: 3646 Message: 3648

I would say it is not the crystals but more than likely the electrolytic capacitors, one or more. Usually storage for a long time, even several months can let these capacitors loose their 'form'.
An electrolytic capacitor depends on a very thin film of electrolyte between the two plates, This electrolyte allows build-up of electrons to allow the capacitor to work in it's range of storing electrons as a DC blocker or timing component. If the capacitor is allowed to discharge over time, this can change the capacitance of the capacitor or it's value. This in turn can make differences in other components such as timing or frequency accuracy.
Allowing the receiver to stay on for a time may restore the capacitors. In worse cases, the capacitor(s) may have to be changed out. Newer capacitors are built as cheap as possible sometimes with poor chemicals as the electrolyte. Money is saved by the manufacturer but leaves the consumer with a poor product.

73 Rod KB8DNS

3649. Re: [de1103] SDR

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-06-20 10:44:24 UTC
From: Renato Strauss
Topic: 3306 Message: 3649

Linoto start on sdr you dont need a radioenter in www.websdr.com and you will see a lot of receivers, chose one and start to listenAn sdr receiver is very expensive but you canb buy a dongle for US$,25,00 but you need a very good antenaGood lock]73Renato PY2EMI Sao Paulo Brazil ham radio station PY2EMI swl station PY2172SWL
blog http://py2emiblog.blogspot.com
skype py2emi
-----Mensagem Original-----
De: "lino-almeida lino-almeida@bol.com.br [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com>
Enviado 18/06/2016 21:10:28
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Assunto: [de1103] SDRI want to start on sdr . who help me starting with Degen.Is it possible???73lino

3650. Re: [de1103] SDR

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-06-20 17:10:00 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3306 Message: 3650

SDR is the opposite of a physical radio. If you have a Degen, you don't need SDR. SDR makes sense on a computer. Besides shortwaves on SDR don't work really well.

I have an SDR dongle but I use it rarely because I can't get any signal, apart from commercial FM.

Is that possible that you mean digital signal, like rtty instead?

On Sunday, 19 June 2016, lino-almeida lino-almeida@... [de1103] <
de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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> with Degen.Is it possible???
> 73
> lino
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3651. Re: [de1103] SDR

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-06-20 20:40:55 UTC
From: martin_cook@...
Topic: 3306 Message: 3651

Hi Lino,
IMHO you can't 'convert' a radio into an SDR - you can connect the radio to an SDR to use the SDR as a detector but you still won't be able to control the tuning of the actual radio. I connected a "softrock" SDR to the IF of my Kenwood R2000 as an experiment and it worked - sort of! You could tune the SDR across the 45MHz of the IF plus or minus 2MHz or so but it took a lot of head scratching to work out what frequency I was actually listening to!

Better save up you hard-earned and buy a proper SDR - I have a couple of Winradio SDR's but they're a bit tough on the pocket to start off with! Brilliant receivers and great software, especially the G33DDC.

3652. Re: [de1103] SDR

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-06-23 19:07:38 UTC
From: badplayer64@...
Topic: 3306 Message: 3652

Actually shortwaves on SDR works very well IF you have a good SDR front-end; try something like a Perseus or ELAD FDM-S2 or similar (together with a good SDR software) and you will see what I mean.

73 Sandro

3653. Re: [de1103] SDR

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-06-25 23:22:21 UTC
From: lino-almeida
Topic: 3306 Message: 3653

Thank you.Obrigado
Eu já uso SDRs via redes mas quero

experimentar pois tenho espaço para qqer

antena.Obrigado pela dica pois vejo colegas

q usam sdrs de 500 euros

73 Vc é bom em dx!!

De: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Enviada: Segunda-feira, 20 de Junho de 2016 10:44
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Assunto: [de1103] SDR

Lino

to start on sdr you dont need a radio

enter in www.websdr.com (http://www.websdr.com) and you will see a lot of receivers, chose one and start to listen

An sdr receiver is very expensive but you canb buy a dongle for US$,25,00 but you need a very good antena

Good lock]

73

Renato PY2EMI Sao Paulo Brazil

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De: "lino-almeida lino-almeida@... [de1103]"
Enviado 18/06/2016 21:10:28
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Assunto: [de1103] SDR

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with Degen.Is it possible???

73

lino

3654. Re: [de1103] SDR

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-06-25 23:26:08 UTC
From: lino-almeida
Topic: 3306 Message: 3654

Obrigado.

Já uso SDRs na rede.

Quero experimentar pois tenho espaço para antenas

Agradeço pois vejo colegas q usam SDRs de mais de 500 euros

73

Lino

De: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Enviada: Segunda-feira, 20 de Junho de 2016 10:44
Para: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Assunto: [de1103] SDR

Lino

to start on sdr you dont need a radio

enter in www.websdr.com (http://www.websdr.com) and you will see a lot of receivers, chose one and start to listen

An sdr receiver is very expensive but you canb buy a dongle for US$,25,00 but you need a very good antena

Good lock]

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3655. Re: KA1103 going off calibration

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-06-28 04:19:00 UTC
From: kmakhl@...
Topic: 3646 Message: 3655

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3656. Re: [de1103] Re: KA1103 going off calibration

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-06-28 21:42:29 UTC
From: Cekart Moezher
Topic: 3646 Message: 3656

Thanks for the advice on the capacitors Rod. I haven't had time to fiddle with the radio, but that makes sense. so I will try to leave the radio On for a while and see if there is any change. If not then I will try opening it and looking at the caps.
I will report any findings.
thanks and 73. ckrt

On Tuesday, June 28, 2016 1:52 AM, "kmakhl@... [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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3657. de1103 replacement recommendations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-11-12 22:18:21 UTC
From: gak@...
Topic: 3657 Message: 3657

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I have been using my radio on a daily basis and I would appreciate recommendations for available radios that more closely match the original de1103 without costing more than twice the DSP version.

3658. RE: [de1103] de1103 replacement recommendations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-11-12 23:07:39 UTC
From: Paul R
Topic: 3657 Message: 3658

Hi

The Tecsun PL-680 could be a contender
http://swling.com/blog/2015/02/a-review-of-the-tecsun-pl-680-with-reader-survey-results/

Paul

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com]
Sent: Sunday, 13 November 2016 11:18 a.m.
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] de1103 replacement recommendations

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3659. RE: [de1103] de1103 replacement recommendations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-11-13 19:35:05 UTC
From: gak@...
Topic: 3657 Message: 3659

Thanks Paul, I am reading the reviews that I can find now.

3660. Re: [de1103] de1103 replacement recommendations

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-11-14 04:19:39 UTC
From: Mvs Sarma
Topic: 3657 Message: 3660

you might also consider Sangean 808A

all tyhe best sarma VU3ZMV

On Monday, 14 November 2016 1:05 AM, "gak@... [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

  Thanks Paul, I am reading the reviews that I can find now.

3661. XMAS

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-12-10 03:29:58 UTC
From: Dallas McKenzie
Topic: 3661 Message: 3661
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Happy Xmas

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D.
41 Degrees South.(NZ)
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HF :- Icom IC-R70, with long wire..N-S (100ft),and 20ft whip (30ft above ground),..FRG 7700 with long wire ...E-W (60ft), and, a Degen 1103 (for Stand by).

VHF/UHF:-...Uniden UBCT8 and Standard VR 120.
Text toNZ0272647733.

3662. Re: [de1103] XMAS [1 Attachment]

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-12-10 10:45:33 UTC
From: Germano
Topic: 3662 Message: 3662

Happy xMas from Naples
Germano

Il giorno 10 dicembre 2016, alle ore 04:30, "Dallas McKenzie dmcqdx@gmail.com [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com> ha scritto:

[Attachment(s) from Dallas McKenzie included below]

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3663. Merry CHRISTmas

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2016-12-10 14:49:31 UTC
From: john
Topic: 3662 Message: 3663

To all!

John

3664. Kaito 1103=a Good Radio

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2017-01-31 22:32:15 UTC
From: dscheidl@...
Topic: 3664 Message: 3664

I have the Kaito KA 1103 dual conversion PLL radio and wanted to state that the receive is as good as my other radios (Radio Shack DX 398 & DX 390). It is a joy to have this dependable radio!

3665. Fwd: I've just ordered the DEGEN DE31MS loop antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2017-02-08 14:48:44 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3665 Message: 3665

Hi all,

is anybody still there?

I hope this group has some subscribers left.

After more almost two years of not using the Degen DE 1103, due to AC interference, I decided to give the radio a go.

I really wanted to build my own loop, but as I'm renting my accommodation and have no tools to build a proper antenna, I decided to give the DEGEN DE31MS a go. Prices have fallen slightly, so I bought one at £15, including shipping from mainland China. Fingers crossed!

If/when I receive it, I'll post some feedback if anybody is interested.

In the meantime, if anybody has built their own loop, please share your experience.

I know I can find links on the Internet but I'd rather have feedback from personal experience.

In particular I'm interested in a small portable antenna for the lower bands (160 and 80m).

Digressing a bit, I'm also interested in building a regen receiver that covers from the 160m to the 20m. Any ideas will be appreciated.

Regards

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3666. RE: [de1103] Fwd: I've just ordered the DEGEN DE31MS loop antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2017-02-08 20:21:12 UTC
From: Paul R
Topic: 3665 Message: 3666

Very interesting yes it will be interesting to see how this works.

Anon-Co http://www.anon-co.com/category/antennas have a few other variants which would also work. They're branded Tecsun but the only difference between that and Kaito will be the name.

The MW circular loops listed works very well I've been using mine for the past year and is good for picking up US, Mexico and Hawaiian MW stations. I'm in Christchurch, New Zealand.

Paul

-----Original Message-----
From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com]
Sent: Thursday, 9 February 2017 3:49 a.m.
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Fwd: I've just ordered the DEGEN DE31MS loop antenna

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Posted by: Ottavio Caruso <ottavio2006-degen@...>

Yahoo Groups Links

3667. Re: Fwd: I've just ordered the DEGEN DE31MS loop antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2017-02-09 06:34:50 UTC
From: robert gorsch
Topic: 3665 Message: 3667

Hi:
I am using the Degen DE31 MS with my DE 1103 and with my Grundig G5 (essentially the same radio). Works extremely well on both SW and MW, at least compared to the whip and to fairly short indoor wire antennas. Placement and orientation is very sensitive. I live in a wood frame house and find that the antenna works best hanging from the ceiling and not attached to window glass. I rotate the antenna for clearest signal and least noise on shortwave. (I do this once in setting the antenna up for listening, not for every station.)
Good luck--
Robert in California

3668. Re: [de1103] Fwd: I've just ordered the DEGEN DE31MS loop antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2017-02-09 01:17:33 UTC
From: Paul (Yahoo Home) Juarez
Topic: 3665 Message: 3668

Hi Octavia,
I have the antenna. It is a good little loop. However, the tuning is really sensitive. As you go to a frequency tune the knob very slowly.
There is a newer model out that Jay recently reviewed. It is also a bargain and according to Jay works a little better then the one you're considering. 73's and good DX'ing.
Thank you and best regards, Paul Juarez
Sent from my Samsung Galaxy 7 Android Phone

On Feb 8, 2017 8:48 AM, "Ottavio Caruso ottavio2006-degen@yahoo.com [de1103]" <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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3669. Re: I've just ordered the DEGEN DE31MS loop antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2017-02-09 09:07:13 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3665 Message: 3669

Thank you Paul, but it's Ottavio, not Octavia. The latter is known car model from Skoda.

On Thursday, 9 February 2017, 'Paul (Yahoo Home) Juarez' qa1433@... [de1103] <de1103@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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3670. Re: Fwd: I've just ordered the DEGEN DE31MS loop antenna

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2017-02-09 10:24:03 UTC
From: mvs_sarma@...
Topic: 3665 Message: 3670

at times we find people here.
I am an unfortunate buyer of 1103 that worked only for 2 hrs . I had returned back to seller at www.ebay.in and took refund.

however i suggest you may also try out pa0rdt active mini patch antenna, It won't need much space. you could google and even get the pxcb artwork and home brew even on a copper clad. For quite some time it worked for me and later i removed that.
all the best
sarma
vu3zmv

3671. Degen de31ms loop antenna: first impressions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2017-02-16 15:51:53 UTC
From: Ottavio Caruso
Topic: 3671 Message: 3671

In a nutshell: avoid!

Long story: I've just received my package from China (only 7 working days). The original package came without instructions, so I had to download a leaflet from eBay:

https://ae01.alicdn.com/img/pb/503/094/465/465094503_418.jpg

The ferrite for MW doesn't seem to do anything, but I don't really care.

Let's go to the loop.

I didn't expect miracles and in fact I didn't find them.

The whole idea is very crude and most likely would have come better, had I had the tools to build one from scratch.

The loop itself is a very thin and plain copper cable, kept stretched by a telescopic antenna (now, that's a way to recycle your unused FM portable radio).

Attached to it is a preselector SW/MW. I have no idea what the MW switch is supposed to do because the loop is not for the MW. Indeed all it does is to make the loop unusable, so just leave it to SW.

Then a 3m stereo mini jack to mini jack cable is connected to the loop. The other extremity to the mini tunable amplifier (2 x AAA batteries not included). Then from the amplifier a small cable connects to the antenna socket of the Degen receiver.

A small fragile clip is included, which is just enough to let the loop hang from my window curtain at the second floor.

I have tested the antenna on the 80, 40 and 20m bands because they are the only ones im interested in. Over the 20m band the loop doesn't seem to make any difference. The loop is not supposed to work at all on the 80m band, but it appears to do something and maybe someone can play on some modification.

Background: I tested it yesterday night at about 10pm. With the built in telescopic antenna I could only hear noise on the 40 and 20m bands and some fragments of QSO on the 80/75m.

Connecting the loop and tuning it on the 40 and 20m seems to reduce a lot of interference, as expected, but it didn't give me any QSO. I thought it had something to do with propagation, but I checked a local station on Websdr and there was plenty of QSO over there.

So out of desperation I tested the 80/75m band. Like I said it is supposed to work only on 3900 khz and higher, but I was able to tune some feeble QSO from a Spanish Ham (I'm in the UK) and that's it.

On the AM/broadcast bands it doesn't seem to do much. Maybe reducing a bit of noise but that's it.

All in all I can say that the antenna is not fit for purpose. If you can already tune some stations, it won't improve your reception by much. If your location is desperate, it won't do anything.

Maybe this antenna made sense 10/15 years ago, when signals were strong and interference was scarce, but as of today the short wave is pretty much a no go area if you live in the city and can't afford a proper antenna over your roof.

It's time sell my Degen on eBay. If anyone is interested in buying it, just email me off list.

3672. Re: Degen de31ms loop antenna: first impressions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2017-02-21 04:43:02 UTC
From: robert gorsch
Topic: 3671 Message: 3672

Hi Ottavio:
The antenna definitely works in my location. I have found that I need to rotate it very carefully to find the most noise-free orientation. When I found the "clean" spot, the signal was definitely better than it was using the whip or the other short indoor wires I have. And you do have to tune for frequency very carefully; the tuning is super-sharp.
As for MW, it does quite well. With my Grundig G5 I just plug the loop antenna into the external antenna socket. With the DE-1103 you can't do that. That's what the ferrite coupler is for. You have to plug the loop, via the tuning unit, into the coupler and then place the coupler next to or on top of the radio so that the ferrite rod is next to and parallel to the radio's internal ferrite antenna. Then you switch the loop to MW and, voila, it does tune the medium wave band.
Setting it up for MW might be a good test for you. See if you can minimize local noise by rotating the antenna, then tuning a weak station that you know is there and can receive on the radio without the antenna or on another radio. With the loop you should be able to get a much better, stronger signal. If not, perhaps your local RFI is so great that it is desensitizing the radio. This happened to me when I had a computer in the room that emitted such terrible EMI that I could hardly hear local MW stations.
Best,
Robert

3673. Re: [de1103] Re: Degen de31ms loop antenna: first impressions

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2017-02-21 13:45:01 UTC
From: Paul Juarez
Topic: 3671 Message: 3673

Hi Octavio,
Same here. Mine works wonderful. However, when using the tuning control you must move it very slowly, otherwise you will miss the sweet spot. Also, make sure your battery is freash. I live in a condo and the RF noise level is very high. Proper location is paramount to good reception. I happen to be lucky in that my room window is perfect location for the antenna.
Good luck and 73's!☐
Thank You,
Paul Juarez
Sent from my Dell Inpiron duo Netbook

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Best,

Robert

3675. Low Volume on SSB

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2017-05-14 14:13:38 UTC
From: jroz84@...
Topic: 3675 Message: 3675

Hello everyone I'm a new owner of the Degen De1103 (non-DSP) and I notice the sound volume is low on ssb even when I try to up it. Is this normal?

3676. Re: Low Volume on SSB

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2017-05-15 09:14:36 UTC
From: julian@...
Topic: 3675 Message: 3676

Yes, a bit. I just tried it on a local AM station, carefully setting zero-beat and I estimate the drop is about 10dB. It was necessary to increase volume setting from 11 to 14 to get the same loudness. A noticeable drop but still quite audible

3677. Re: Low Volume on SSB

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2017-05-16 02:24:57 UTC
From: jroz84@...
Topic: 3675 Message: 3677

Thank you. I have no problem listening to AM but I am some times forced to set the volume to 40 to 50+ when in SSB because I could hardly conceive the broadcast. I am thinking of getting an antenna to put outside believing that would help now I am also wondering what antenna to get.

3678. Re: [de1103] Re: Low Volume on SSB

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2017-05-16 11:12:55 UTC
From: Peter Conway
Topic: 3675 Message: 3678

Hi,

Have you tried a the reset button front - you don't lose memories and it
often clears various problems?

Peter

On 16/05/2017 02:24, jroz84@... [de1103] wrote:
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3679. RE: [de1103] Re: Low Volume on SSB

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2017-05-16 11:39:13 UTC
From: Paul R
Topic: 3675 Message: 3679

String up a simple long wire as long and as high as you can make it. Some information here https://www.w8ji.com/long_wire_antenna.htm

Paul

From: de1103@yahoogroups.com [mailto:de1103@yahoogroups.com]
Sent: Tuesday, 16 May 2017 2:25 p.m.
To: de1103@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [de1103] Re: Low Volume on SSB

Thank you. I have no problem listening to AM but I am some times forced to set the volume to 40 to 50+ when in SSB because I could hardly conceive the broadcast. I am thinking of getting an antenna to put outside believing that would help now I am also wondering what antenna to get.

3680. Re: Low Volume on SSB

Yahoo group: de1103
Date: 2017-05-16 14:09:32 UTC
From: jroz84@...
Topic: 3675 Message: 3680

@Peter - Do I have to? I mean nothing is wrong with the radio aside that I could hardly hear some Hams.

@Paul - I have a string wire I hang to a pole outside. It does improve reception but it also brings up more noise. I am not an expert in building antennas so I'm thinking of buying one but I really don't know which one.